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Refugees from Tripolitania and Cyrenaica

No	Date	To	From	Tel. No.	Subject	Refs.
1	24/6		Comm. aux affaires Etrangères		Repatriation of families to Lybia	
2	3/7	Cairo		177	" " " "	No1
3	21/7		Liaison Section, A.F.H.Q.		Request for civilians to return to Tripoli Cyrenaica	
4	16/7	Cairo	F.O.	1222 Resmin 2254	Jewish refugees from Tripolitania &	
5	20/7		Cairo	160/sec/43	Return of Fr. subjects etc. domiciled in Tripolitania	No 2,3
6	23/7	F.O.	Cairo	1722	Jewish refugees from Tripoli & Cyrenaica	No4
7	24/8		Comm. aux affaires Etrangères		Refugees from Lybia	No1, 8
8	27/8	Comm. for Foreign affairs			Repatriation of Fr. to Tripolitania Cyrenaica &	5,6
9	30/7	Cairo		Saving Resmin	Restoration of property to refugees from Lybia	5
10	11/8		F.O.	1583	Repatriation of Fr. citizens	2
11	15/8		Cairo	212	Tripolitania frontier closed	6
12	16/8	F.O.		1480	First batch leaving for Tripoli talks with Mr. Peiser /	10
13	20/8	Comm. for Foreign affairs			Closure of Tripolitania frontier	1,8
14	20/8	Cairo		223	Position re Cyrenaica passes to Tripolitania	11
15	18/8		Cairo	216	Swiss Consulate, Tunis issued laissez-	11
16	19/8		Comm. aux affaires Etrangères		Re repatriation of Fr. to Lybia	8
17	20/8		Cairo	219 (1664 Resmin)	Presume French informed of closure of Tripolitania frontier	6,11,12
18	21/8	Cairo	FA	2634	Repatriation of Fr. Jews	11,5,4
19	23/8	Comm. for Foreign affairs			Repatriation of Fr. to Lybia Tripolitania	16,13,8
20	24/8	Mr. Macpherson	Mr. Rooker		Issue of laissez-passers by Swiss for	15
21	23/8	Cairo		226	Informed Fr. re closure of Trip. frontier issuing laissez passers	17
22	23/8	Cairo		225	Asking Hardy, Tunis to stop Swiss	15
23	25/8				Memo by Mr. Makins re meeting at Comm. for Foreign affairs	

No	Date	To	From	Tel. No.	Subject to Tripolitania & Cyrenaica	Refs.
24	26/8	J. Bennett, Cairo	mr. Makins		Arrangements for repatriation of Fr. et.	
25	29/8		Cairo	226	Fr. propose repatriation of 772	
26	30/8	mr. Rooker	mr. Judd		Swiss laissez-passers to Tripolitania	20
27	1/9	Cairo		237	Swiss Consul not issuing laissez passers.	22
28	1/9	mr Makins	mr Hankin, Cairo		No wish to encourage Joint Distribution Cltee.	24
29	2/9		Tripbase	BMA/T/938	French repatriates	
30	8/9	Tripbase			Reply to No 29	29
31	6/9	H.M. Consul Tunis	Comité	6699/A.E.	Repatriation of French refugees from Libya	16
32	11/9			Resmin 44	Repetition of telegram to Tripbase (No. 30)	29, 30
33	16/9.		EEMA	T/984	Repatriation of French refugees to Tripolitania & Cyrenaica.	
34	18/9.	C.F.A.			—do—	
35	22/9.	H.M.C.G Tunis	Le Consul de Suisse Tunis		Tunis Laissez-passers to Tripolitania	26, 27.
36	28/9.				Refugees in Algeria eligible for repatriation Tripolitania & Cyrenaica	
37	27/9.	Cairo		Saw Resmin 15	Tunis Laissez-passers to Tripolitania	
38.	1/10.		Tunis.		Re repatriation of refugees to Tripolitania	
39.	2/10		Comité Francais	8325.	Note re repatriation of French refugees in Libya & acknowledgement of note.	
40	6/10	Comité Francais			Re letter 2/10	
41	13/10		Comité Francais		Re repatriation of French subjects to Cyrenaica	
42	14/10	Comité Francais. (M. Natzigh)			" " " " " " "	
43	14/10	Min. of State Cairo.			" " " " " " "	
44	18/10		Cairo	Resmin 278	Repatriation of French subjects to Cyrenaica	
45	19/10	Comm. aux affaires Etrangères	Comm. aux affaires Etrangères		List of French subjects to be repatriated	16
46	20/10		Bema Tripolit	BMAT/ 1234 19	Re arrival of advance party of French Govt at Frontier	29

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No.	White				
47	22/10	N. Natl. Gl		Desp 31	Re arrival of refugees at frontier.
48	22/10	Cairo		Desp. 2	Enclosing list of refugees for repatriation
49	21/10		Tunis	51	Accomodation in Tripoli for refugees from Tunis
50	23/10	N. Natl. Gl		Desp 34	Information re number of Jews to be repatriated.
51	22/10		Casablanca		Party of Tripolitan Arabs to be repatriated to Tripoli
52	25/10		Tunis		Entry of 772 French (Tunisian) Jews into Tripolitania
53	27/10		Eisenhower	2837	Re return of evacuees to Tripolitania & Cyrenaica
54	28/10	Cairo		Resmin 297	Re French (Tunisian) Jews destined for Tripolitania
55	1/11	A.F.H.Q.			" " " " " "
56	2/11	Casablanca			Re party of Tripolitan Arabs destined for Tripoli
57	30/10			OET 2827 (S9)	Re evacuees from Tripolitania & Cyrenaica
58	3/11	F.O.	Cairo	S242	Repatriation of 772 French Jews from French N. Africa
59	9/11		Commissaire Affaires Etrang.		No. of repatriates for Cyrenaica
60	9/11		"		List of refugees in Morocco
61	30/11		Cairo		Re repatriation of French subjects from Algeria
62	-/11	Cargo	Eisenhower	8177	Repatriation of Libyan Arabs
63	3/11		Natl Govt Commissaire		" " " "
64	10/11		Affaires Etr.		3rd list of refugees in Algeria
65	12/11	Cairo		Desp 3	List of French subjects in Morocco for repatriation to Cyrenaica
66	12/11	Cairo		Desp 4	" " " " in Algeria " " " "
67	13/11	Cairo		334	Refugees in Tunisia for repatriation to Cyrenaica
68	15/11		N.A.F.B.		Re lists submitted by French
69	9/11		Casablanca		Re repatriation of 11 Tripolitanian Arabs.

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No	Date	To	From	Tel No	Subject	Reps
70	18/11		Cairo	327	Repatriation to Cyrenaica. Transport arrangements	
71	19/11	Tripolitania			Repatriation of Tripolitanian Arabs.	
72	19/11	Casablanca			" " " "	
73	21/11	A. Militaire		Disp 61	Repatriation of French refugees in Algeria	
74	3/11	OPRRO	affaires		Report of trip to Constantinoise	
75	25.11.43.	-	Etrangères	-	Repatriation of Jewish refugees to Cyrenaica.	
76.	27.11.43.	-	"	-	" " " " " Cyrenaica.	
77	20.11.43.	-	H.Q. British Military admin.ve	-	French Jewish Nationals formerly resident in to return to Cyrenaica.	
78	29.11.43	Cairo	Algiers	-	Enclosing lists of French nationals wishing refugees.	
79.	29/11.43	Ministry of & Transport	Ministry of War Transport	-	Enclosing translation of letter re. shipment of	
80.	22.12.43	-	Cairo G-1.(B)		arrival of 7 Italians at Dipoli.	
81.	7/12 43	-	A.2.	-	" " " "	
82.	11.12.43.	Ministry of War Transport	-	-	Provision of transport for French refugees.	
83.	11/12 43	affaires Etrangères	-	-	Repatriation of French nationals.	
84	8/12 43.	-	H.Q. R.M.A.	-	" Implantation Arabs.	
85	18/12 43.	Rome	-	-	Enclosing 5th list of refugees.	
86	18.12.43.	Casablanca	-	-	Repatriation of Tripolitanian Arabs.	

' Comm. for Foreign Affairs

Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Forces H.Q.,
5,rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

18th December 1943.

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69 —

In your letter 3348 90/1a of November 9th you gave us the particulars of the families of Tripolitanian Arabs who have applied for repatriation to Tripoli. Headquarters, B.M.A.,Tripolitania have pointed out to us that it appears from these particulars that the families originated from Cyrenaica. They presume that it is to their Cyrenaican homes that they now wish to return. We should be grateful if you could confirm.

D.P.Reilly.

A.N.Williamson-Napier, Esq.

Le 32/35/1650
p 6.

IDW.

Office of the British Resident
Legislator at Allied Force H. Q.,
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

R/4.2/7

No. 9.

16th December 1943.

Ref. 76

Sir,

66 With reference to my despatch No. 4 of the 12th November, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the fifth list of refugees in Algeria who have applied for repatriation to Cyrenaica.

2. Copies of this despatch are being sent to H.M. Consul General, Tunis, H.B.M.'s Tripolitania, H.B.M. H.A. Cyrenaica and Civil Affairs Branch C.H.Q. H.M.F.F.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
(for the Legislator)

Roger Peirse.

The Right Honourable R.G.Casey M.C., D.S.O., M.P.,
Minister of State Resident in the Middle East.

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Headquarters,
B. M. A.,
Tripolitania.

37/D/4

8 December 1943.

Subject:- Return to Tripolitania

Sir,

71 - 1. I have the honour to refer to your letter RM/47/7 dated 19 November 43. Would you please confirm that these persons wish to return to Tripolitania since it appears that they are natives of Cyrenaica. If they desire to return to Cyrenaica I shall be pleased to pass this request to the B.M.A. of that Territory on receipt of your instructions.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Draft to Mr. Napier. 86
Jn 1 Adams
Dec. 17th.

A. Wilson Capt.

ALP/RH

OR 18/xii

for Lieut-Colonel,
for D.C.C.A.O.

The British Resident Minister,
A. F. HQ.,
5, Rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

Office of the British Representative with the
French Committee of National Liberation,
Algiers.

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F.O.371/
No. 87

14th December 1943.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the repatriation to Cyrenaica is opposed by the French nationalist and protected persons named in the two lists enclosed in your letter No. 9531 of the 13th October and 9666 of the 19th October, as soon as transport arrangements can be made.

2. I have also the honour to transmit to you herewith a list of 4 French Jewish nationals who were formerly resident in Cyrenaica and whose repatriation is approved in principle. From the information available it appears that these persons were interned and sent to Tripolitania on the outbreak of hostilities with Italy. Their movements thereafter are not known but it seems that the majority were moved from Tripolitania westwards and were subsequently distributed throughout Tripolitania, Tunisia and Algeria.

3. Before any of these persons are sent back to Cyrenaica, I should be glad to be informed, as long as possible in advance, of the numbers of each party and of their destinations, by districts or towns.

I have the honour to be,
with,
Your Excellency's obedient Servant,
(For the Minister),

F.O.371/

His Excellency,
H. Reno Ingalli,
Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

Roger Makins.

Copied to H.Q., B.M.A., Tripolitania
H.Q. B.M.A., Cyrenaica.
H.M.C.G. Tunis
Civil Affairs Branch, G.H.Q., M.E.F.

F.O.371/11660
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Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
5,rue Professeur Cartillet,
Algiers.

R.M./47/7

11th December 1943.

Your letter of November 27th about the provision of a ship to transport French nationals from Sfax to Tripoli.

We [illegible] very anxious to get rid of these people from Tunisia and we have hitherto done everything within reason to assist them. There is however no direct British interest involved and I do not think you need strain yourself to provide a ship for this purpose.

It is essential that we should be informed in advance of the names and destinations of all persons sent from Tunisia to Tripoli. We should be grateful if you could try to ensure that this is done, in any arrangements that you may make.

Yours [illegible],

J.Gibson Graham Esq.

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

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ROUTINE

TO FOR ACTION: DISTONE REF NO: 10718

FOR INFO: MIDEAST
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Evacuation of 7 male Italian civilians from 369 P W Camp to TRIPOLI reported. Please report on whose instructions these civilians were evacuated. Further evacuations to TRIPOLITANIA and CYRENAICA must NOT take place except on instructions this HQ.

ORIGINATOR: G-1 (B) A-2 AUTHENTICATION: M. R. MOORE, MAJOR

INFORMATION: SCS
G-2
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MGS
CAO
MR. MURPHY
MR. MAC MILLAN
M & TH
AG RECORDS

COORD WITH: MIL GOV SEC
G-2

JMA
17/12

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ROUTINE

FROM: MIDEAST FROM CIVAFFAIRS

TO : FREEDOM RPTD FILPOT FOR AMG

REF.NO. THIS MSG: CET/42861, 02/Dec 43

1. 7 male Italian civilians formerly resident in TRIPOLITANIA have arrived TRIPOLI by air from SYRACUSE under movement orders from 369 POW camp.

2. Please ensure that no Italians are returned to TRIPOLITANIA or CYRENAICA where they cannot be absorbed.

63 — 3. In this connection see my telegram No. CET/30686 of 3 November replying your 2837 FHMGS of 26 October.

4. Ack.

NOTE: CET/30686 MO IN 3732 6/11/43 (MGS).
2837 MO OUT 8132 27/10/43 (MGS).

JNIA
17/12

ACTION: MGS

INFO: SGS CAO
G-2 MR MURPHY
G-3 MR MACMILLAN
G-4 M & M

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MC IN 2561 KING OF 5 Dec 43 CODE A THIS RELEASE IS FORBIDDEN TO/E

NORTH AFRICAN REPRESENTATIVE,
MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT,
127, RUE MICHELET.
ALGIERS.

29th November, 1943.

Dear Roger,

I attach a translation of a letter I received today.

Have you any views on the subject?

Yours sincerely,

Draft reply
JM Addis
10th Dec.

Roger Makins Esq.,
Resident Minister's Office.

TRANSLATION.

M.D. Algiers, 27 November 1943.

The Deputy for the Director of the Marine Marchande
et Transports Maritimes.

to

The Ministry of War Transport Representative

ALGIERS.

re: Transport from SFAX to TRIPOLI of French Subjects and Subjects of French protectorates.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Ambassador of France, Commissary for Foreign Affairs, has advised me of the urgent need that exists for the return to Libya of a thousand French or of French protectorate subjects taking refuge in Tunisia.

It is a question of persons expelled by the Italian Authorities whose return to Tripoli is considered highly desirable. Unfortunately, we do not possess a vessel adequate for this transport and I would ask you if it is not possible to arrange this operation with a vessel of the type "MARIGOT", chartered by the Ministry of War Transport. It is of course understood that the expenses in connection with this transport would be covered by the Direction de la Marine Marchande.

Please be good enough to let me know at your earliest convenience, what information you may have concerning the possibility of giving satisfaction to the request of the Ambassador of France, Commissary for Foreign Affairs.

Yours etc.,

Mediterranean 47/7

NORTH ~~AFRICAN~~ REPRESENTATIVE,
MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT,
127, RUE MICHELET.
ALGIERS.

29th. November '43.

To: The British Resident Minister,

With the Compliments of

M. J. Gibson Graham,
M.W.T.R. Med.

[redacted]

D.M.

Algiers, 27 November 1943.

The Deputy for the Director of the Marine Marchande
et Transports Maritimes.

to

The Ministry of War Transport Representative

ALGIERS.

re: Transport from AFN to METROPOLE of French subjects and subjects of French protectorates.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Commissariat of Agrarm, Commissary for Foreign Affairs, has advised me of the urgent need that exists for the return to Alger of a thousand French or of French protectorate subjects taking refuge in Tunisia.

It is a question of persons expelled by the Italian authorities whose return to Tripoli is considered highly desirable. Unfortunately, we do not possess a vessel adequate for this transport and I would ask you if it is not possible to arrange this operation with a vessel of the type "Liberty", chartered by the Ministry of War Transport. It is of course understood that the expenses in connection with this transport would be covered by the Direction de la Marine Marchande.

Please be good enough to let me know at your earliest convenience, what information you may have concerning the possibility of giving satisfaction to the request of the Commissaire of Agrarm, Commissary for Foreign Affairs.

Yours etc.,

Office of the British Resident
Minister at Allied Force H.Q.,
5,Rue Ernest Renaud,
Algiers.

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R.M./A.I/7

No. 8.

29th November 1943.

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Sir,

With reference to the third paragraph of your telegram No. 1722 of the 26th July to the War Office, I have the honour to forward herewith, for your information, a memorandum by the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, containing lists of persons suitable for appointment as Governors of provinces in Tunisia who can be relied upon to work with the Allies.

2. Attached to these lists, which have been compiled by the French authorities, are "Fiches de renseignements" giving the age, profession and place of birth of each candidate, the names and ages of the present incumbents, and, in the case of the "Chefs d'Annexe" their rank and the date of his appointment to the Territory.

3. I shall be glad to learn whether the return of these persons to Tunisia is authorised.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,
(For the Minister)

Deputy Resident.

The Right Honourable Viscount Cranborne, M.C., M.P.,
Minister of State resident in the Middle East.

Ref. : 37/D/5

Headquarters
British Military Administration,
CYRENAICA.M.E.F.

20 Nov '43.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the two letters from the office of the British Representative to the French Committee of National Liberation, Algiers to the Minister of State, Cairo, references RM/47/7 No.1 of 14 Oct 43 and RM/47/7 No.2 of 22 Oct 43 and to say that this Administration is prepared to accept the return of all those persons named in the lists attached to these letters, as soon as transport arrangements can be made.

2. Records are available here of the names of 1014 French Jewish Nationals who are understood to have been formerly resident in this territory. All these persons may be repatriated to this territory, but prior to despatch it is essential that this Administration be advised of :

a) the numbers wishing to return
b) destinations, by districts or towns.

Accommodation in Cyrenaica is limited and great difficulty may be experienced in arranging for their re-settlement.

3. From information in the possession of D.S.O.Cyrenaica, it would appear that all 1014 French Jewish Nationals were interned and sent to Tripolitania on the outbreak of hostilities. Their movements thereafter are not known, but it would seem that the majority were moved from Tripolitania westwards and distributed throughout Tripolitania, Tunisia and Algeria.

4. A full nominal roll of these French Nationals who were formerly resident in Cyrenaica is now enclosed and it will be appreciated if you will forward to this H.Q., after enquiry, the information requested in para 2 of this letter.

5. It is particularly requested that no despatches be made without prior notification to this H.Q. except in the case of those persons enumerated in the lists referred to in para 1 of this letter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Draft to C.F.A. 63
JM Hadow
Dec. 10th.

(G.D. Pitcairn)
Lt.Col.,
CHIEF SECRETARY.

To : Resident Minister,
Algiers.

E.A.

E.T.O.

Copies to : H.B.M.Consul General,Tunis.)Enclosing full nominal
H.Q., B.M.A., Tripolitania.)roll, for favour of
)action ref.para 4.

Civil Affairs Branch,)Ref.your signal OMT/36303
G.H.Q., M.E.F.)of 17 Nov '43.

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat aux Affaires Etrangères
Direction Politique
Afrique - Asie - Océanie

N° 11418./117.

A RAPPELER

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

MP/TP.

ALGER, LE 27 NOV 1943 194

Se référant à sa correspondance antérieure et en dernier lieu à sa note nº I087I du IO Novembre, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de faire parvenir, sous ce pli, à M. MACMILLAN la cinquième liste des sujets et protégés français, réfugiés en Algérie, qui sollicitent l'autorisation de rejoindre leurs foyers en Cyrénaïque.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait obligé à Monsieur MACMILLAN de lui faire savoir si les Autorités britanniques donnent leur assentiment au rapatriement des personnes dont il s'agit./.

I'm afraid this got overlooked when the other pp. were being dealt with.
Draft to Mr. Casey. — 8/5
JM Adams
Dec 17th.
MR 18/xii.

Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN, M.P.

Représentant du Gouvernement de Sa Majesté
Britannique auprès du Comité Français de la
Libération Nationale
5, Rue du Professeur Curtillet, 5

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NOTA. — Prière de rappeler, dans la réponse, la date et le numéro de la présente ainsi que le numéro du bureau.

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Le Gouverneur Général de l'Algérie

à Monsieur

GOUVERNEMENT GENERAL
DE L'ALGERIE

DIRECTION DE LA SECURITE
GENERALE

LISTE Nº 5 des réfugiés repliés en Algérie qui sollicitent leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient précédemment domiciliés

Noms	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Domicile qu'il désire regagner	Commune d'accueil en Algérie	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
AMIA	Beit Mohammed	1926 Benghazi	sans		FONCTHAT, près Benghazi	Ben-Amer, près La Calle		555
MOHAMMED	Ben Ahmed ben Mabrouk	1900 Benghazi	cultivateur	3	dº	dº		556
ZINEB	beit Issad	1905 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	557
LAICHE	ben Mohammed	1923 Fontchat	journalier	2	dº	dº		558
SADDENA	beit Mousbah	1893 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	mère du précédent	559
TAIEB	Mahfo	4 août 1916 à Tobrouk	liquoriste	I	Benghazi, via Sidi-Safi, nº34	Sétif		560
BARONI	Fortunato	19 mai 1920 à Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	561
CAMILLI	Joseph	15 avril 1884 Benghazi	commerçant		Benghazi via Osman	dº		562
CAMILLI	Jiora	1894 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	563
CAMILLI	Esther	1926 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	fille du précédent	564
CAMILLI	Raffaele	1890 Benghazi	commerçant	I	Benghazi, via Sidi Said nº5	dº		565
BETTA	Julia	1897 Derna	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	566
CAMILLI	Isaac	2 octobre 1908 Benghazi	commerçant	4	Benghazi, via Sidi-Osmen	dº		567
LABI	Diamantina	1914 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	568
MASSABA	Laid	1921 à El-Abed	sans	3	Benghazi via El Laghrabi	Tebessa		569
MASCIA	Bachette	1921 à Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	570
BARANES	Messaoude	1897 à Zouria	sans	5	Benghazi via Osman nº10	Bel-Abbès		571
BARANES	Zohra	21 avril 1926 Derna			dº	dº		
BARANES	Gualda	1924 Derna			dº	dº	dº	
BARANES	Isek	22 février 1917 Benghazi			Benghazi Vicollo Fellan nº4	dº		574
BARANES	Guilia	1912 Homs			dº	dº	épouse du précédent	575
BARANES	Abrama	1917 Homs			Derna, via Roma 2 traverse 5	dº		576
BARANES	Misa	1915 Derna			dº	dº	épouse du précédent	577

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
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Commissariat aux Affaires Etrangères

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A RAPPELER

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

ALGER, LE 25 NOV 1943

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Draft to Min State

JM Adams
Nov. 27th -
Sent. See page 7.8

JMA
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Le 27/31/163°
M.11

Allied Force Headquarters
Civil Affairs Office
North African Economic Board
Section of Public Welfare and Relief
Refugee Section

September 3, 1943

To: Frank T. Gregson, acting Chief of Mission, Oran

From: Howard Trivers

Subject: Report of Trip taken October 22 to October 31, 1943, to Constantine and Bone in the Vicinity (Supplementary to report of October 31, 1943, addressed to I. Jeanneau Fryer, Chief of Station, Oran, regarding similar trip in that area, N.T.).

A. Purpose of the Trip

The aims of the trip, in brief, to investigate the situation of refugees of French nationality expelled from Libya, with a view to ameliorating their present living conditions, if such improvement was needed, and to gather necessary information to enable their repatriation.

B. Towns Visited

Constantine (3 days), Setif (3 hours), Bizerte (overnight), Arzia (2 hours), Tebessa (overnight), Ain Beida (1 hour), Tebessa (2 hours), Souk Ahras (5 hours), Duvivier (overnight), Bone (4 hours), Guelma (overnight), Setif (2 hours), total, 10 hours.

C. Official Preparation

Before leaving Algiers, clearances were obtained from the various services of the American administration interested in civilian matters and the Office of the French Security in the Commissariat General under E. Peyrard was also consulted. On arrival in Constantine, the office of the Prefect referred us to the Division of the Police, of which E. Serre is the head. He is designated as being responsible for the care and supervision of this group of refugees.

D. Procedure in Each Town

As in the previous trip, the procedure in each town was fairly standard. The first visit was generally to the office of the official designated by E. Serre. After explaining to this official the nature of the information required, we would usually put us in touch with the head of the Constantine Israelite if the refugees were Jewish, and the interviewing of the family head would be accomplished in his apartment. If the family were Italian, the interviewing was done in the office of the municipal authority. In several cases of Italian families, however, it was impossible to make direct contact with them, for they were far from the coast in the interior. In such cases, the responsible officials here notes as to the kinds of information to be used and agreed to forward the details to us as soon as possible.

[redacted]

c. Haifa & Vicinity

1. Statistical Summary

Total number of persons	116
Total number of families	32
Number of adults	24
Number of men	24
Number of women	24
Number of children	21
Number of boys	14
Number of girls	14
Israeli:	
Married	71
Single	45

(NOTE: As these families do not appear registered in the files of the Institute, it was not possible to obtain detailed information. Accordingly, they have been included in none of the other figures used in the discussion.)

2. Background

The same pattern applies to this group as that [illegible] above. Almost all were born in Libya, and are of Italian nationality. Almost all possess Italian identity papers, and all were expelled from Libya by the Italian Government in 1948 because of their French citizenship. They had been assigned to the various small temporary communities in the area further to the west in Libya, and similarly, the refugee of Haifa had been assigned to the care of the Israel Jewish community organizations. As far as was known, in no cases did the governmental authorities provide reimbursement to the Jewish community organizations for stipends incurred, although in Libya this had apparently occurred in several instances.

a) Responsibility for Assistance

In general, the impression gained in Libya of the official attitude toward the responsibility for the refugees applied to the Committee area as well (see report of Cochran to for details). The impression was that because most of those who were expelled were Jews, they were expelled from Libya because of their Jewish race, and not because of their Italian nationality. It was therefore not the responsibility of the French government to care for the refugees, but of the Jewish community organizations.

This attitude explains in some measure the impression of official disinterest which was noted among the officials in charge of the camps. A notable exception appeared to be the case of the Haifa, where a general community fund, similar to our community chest, was being used by the Mayor to supplement the additional inadequate allocations from the Government Central.

c) Work

The same conditions prevailed here as in the Libya area. Employment which applied for had generally been refused. Some were working from time to time. Only one family had apparently been able to make enough money by working to support themselves. For all the rest, work was insufficient to give an acceptable living standard.

d) Rent

All in all, for the most part, the refugees receive rent free an Arabic community property, often the synagogue. In one case, the family receives free hospitality with a Jewish family in the area. In addition, the Committee pays a rent allowance. In general, the housing facilities thus provided are very poor.

e) Food

The food allowance as regards every ration had [illegible] in Oran exists in substantive, currently overall here has been exhausted in all but one case. Should all have some limited [illegible] have considerable sums either with them, impossible at the frontier, or in the case of Tripoli. Here cases ought to be studied for refunding those sums of money when the repatriation is accomplished, if not before then, for use in the form of travel currency here.

f) Clothing

The most obvious lack at the present is clothes. Especially in the cases of higher altitude, such as Tebessa, Setif, Constantine, Batna and Bone, the nights are already very cold and even one blanket is not close the cozy, but are cold. They need clothing.

g) Money

The same situation as regards money exists that found in Oran exists in Constantine. Currency transfer has been exhausted in all but one case. Should all have some limited [illegible] have considerable sums either with them, impossible at the frontier, or in the case of Tripoli. Here cases ought to be studied for refunding those sums of money when the repatriation is accomplished, if not before then, for use in the form of travel currency here.

h) Allowance from the French Government

Since the arrival of the refugees, an allowance has been established by the Government-General of 2 francs per day for the head of the family and 1 francs per day for other members. After the first six months, this allowance was reportedly increased to 10 and 5 francs respectively. The decision as to whether or not a family is in need of the money is made by the local Sales of responsible official. In many cases, families which received even originally to meet the full allowance were receiving a reduced one, and in the case, no allocation had ever been received. As noted in the report of October 14, the allocation of 8- and 4 francs is quite inadequate when the breadwinner of the family cannot work.

In Constantine, it was brought to my attention that there exists a Committee of Refugees, headed by Mr. Cohen, the owner of Cohen-Hadria. The Israeli's representative on the Committee and a General Israeli, a retired army officer formerly Commandant of the Constantine garrison. This Committee reportedly has a central office in the Government General in Algiers. Accordingly, an interview was arranged with General Israel, who gave the impression of being very talkative and possessing a true Mediterranean temper. As far as he was concerned, he said, any refugee was entitled to receive the allocation of 10 francs entertained to be paid to the head of a family and the 5 francs to be paid to each additional member of the family, [illegible] [illegible].

If this allowance could be made available to the members of the Libyan-French refugee group, their needs would [illegible] be met. The present arrangement does not appear to be adequate.

1) Continued German assistance

It is believed that, as in Spain, the German committees should be encouraged to make a greater effort to help the refugees. Spokesmen of the community already believed that the committees were capable of greater efforts on behalf of the refugees, but most some of the members felt a reluctance, because they felt it was the proper responsibility of the French authorities.

In connection, it was proposed by the head of the Chanteraine, Mr. Maxwell, that an immediate step be taken immediately to change the present allocation system, as he had just prepared official request to the Vaynes et Chanteraine in order that the Libyan refugees in Constantine could receive the 30 francs, if free refugee allocation. If his request was accepted, the constantine payments would be a precedent for the other communities throughout Algeria. If the request was turned down, he would inform us through M. Gotlan. The Algiers representative of the Joint Distribution Committee, at this time we might be able to contact the responsible authority in the Government General and point out to him the difficult situation of this group of refugees in the hope that he would authorize the inclusion of the Libyan-Italian refugees among those categories of refugees receiving the 30 francs if free allocation.

2. Repatriation

The more hopeless forms in Israel are present in the minds of the refugees in the Constantine department. They wish to go home and are confident that once there, they will be able to get along.

The problem of economic independence on return home is probably less easily solved for the group in the department of Constantine than for the group in Oranie. As shown by Attachment II, a larger percentage of the group is of the commercial activities, specifically, M.T. However, as shown by Attachment III, a large percentage of those in the commercial activities either have family or have friends or relatives who will help them, specifically, over 80 %.

For those who are unable to arrange immediately for independent economic life, the American Joint Distribution Committee stands ready to make all financial arrangements so that they will not become a public charge.

Accordingly, as with the Oran group, as far as the activities of Israel are concerned, there should be no fear that these refugees would become public charges.

3. Recommendations

1. That the Joint Distribution Committee representatives hold themselves ready to encourage the local consistoires to continue their assistance to the refugees, and in some instances to increase it, in case it should not be possible for the local Jewish organizations to arrange for the transfer of the Libyan-Italian refugees into a category which would permit them to receive the 30 francs - 15 francs allocations authorized by the Government General to be paid to refugees through the legal officials of the Commission de Refugiés.

2. That every effort be made to overcome whatever technical difficulties may stand in the way of the repatriation of this group of refugees, since the economic reasons arguing that the individuals would become wards of their home communities must not appear to be a valid one for not permitting their repatriation.

3. That clothing be made available to the group.

4. That more facilities be arranged in order to permit the debarkation of the Italian ships bound from the refugees at the Yugoslav-Greek frontier.

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Attachment 1

List of family names, with numbers in each family and answers to questions:

a) possibilities of being invited immediately upon their return home;
b) financial situation, ease of property at their disposal;
c) profession or economic activity;
d) preferences.

Family Name	Religion	Total	Men	Women	Children
I [illegible]					
1. [illegible], Abdelkader	Muslim	5	1	1	1
a) normally acceptable b) 15,000 lire at home, Tripoli 12,000 lire at frontier, [illegible] receipt c) cloth merchant, employee in liquour factory d) wife expecting baby within two months					
2. [illegible], Ibrahim	Muslim	5	1	1	1
a) normally acceptable b) some money, but very little; owns large building in Garian, part-owner of two grocery stores c) restaurant operator					
3. [illegible], Issac	Jewish	5	3	1	4
a) leaving [illegible] o.k. b) 20,000 lire each [illegible] Tripoli, some property c) cloth merchant					
4. [illegible], Joseph	Muslim	5	1	1	1
a) same as above b) see No. 1 [illegible] c) see No. 1 [illegible]					
5. [illegible], Rabbi	Muslim	5	1	1	1
a) [illegible] o.k. per recent news b) 20,000 lire home, Tripoli; 5,000 lire and gold at frontier. c) [illegible] and cloth wholesaler and retailer					
II [illegible]					
6. [illegible], Moussa	Muslim	4	1	1	2
a) [illegible] o.k., [illegible] b) 100,000 lire, home, Tripoli; premises apartments c) real estate development and building					
7. [illegible], Elia	Muslim	4	1	1	2
a) o.k., wait 7 months b) 450,000 Egyptian pounds at Al Fateh; 12,000 lire; 145,000 lire at Tripoli c) cloth material, textile material					

[illegible], Ahmed	[illegible]	Tripoli	5	1	1	3
a) c.b., 4th in [illegible] b) 7,000 lire [illegible] house, Tripoli; 100,000 lire with friends c) wholesale grocer						
[illegible], Mordekai	[illegible]	Tripoli	5	1	1	3
a) [illegible] c.b., wife [illegible] b) 20,000 lire house, Tripoli; 150,000 lire with friends c) cloth and hardware shops						
[illegible], Yaphet	[illegible]	Tripoli	5	1	1	3
a) [illegible] c.b. b) 30,000 lire with friend c) shoemaker, cloth dyer						
[illegible], Ismael (see his brother)		Tripoli	4	1	1	2
a) c.b., lives in mother-in-law's house b) 3,000 lire frontier, has recently; expecting inheritance, his brother- in-law died recently c) cultivates opium, henari and tobacco						
[illegible], Mabrouk	[illegible]	Tripoli	5	4	1	
a) house still c.b. b) 150,000 lire left with brothers c) Libyan merchants						

III Italians

[illegible], Antonio	[illegible]	Tripoli	3	1	1	1
a) housing uncertain b) many inadequate information c) peddler, could be laborer						
[illegible], Benjamin	[illegible]	Tripoli	7	1	1	3
a) housing uncertain b) 6,000 lire at Zuara c) draperies and cloth merchant (stocks pillaged by Italians)						

IV Jews

[illegible], Alphonse	[illegible]	Tripoli	6	1	1	4
a) house destroyed, share [illegible] b) 300,000 lire house, Tripoli; cars, tires and shop c) wine and cloth merchant						
[illegible], Eugene	[illegible]	Tripoli	8	1	1	
a) partner of Faraggi, Alphonse b) c) sales manager d) wife expecting baby within four months						
[illegible], Isaac	[illegible]	Tripoli	10	1	1	4
a) housing uncertain b) 2,500 lire Zuara; 4,500 lire Benguerdin c) cloth merchant, representing; could be butcher.						

V [illegible]

19. [illegible], Mulatto (now remarried) [illegible] Lib Trade	J	Tripoli	2	1	1
a) Interests for wife c.l. with patrons b) expects to receive $5,000 from sheriff, c) mason, marble cutter, and carpenter d) wife operating baby clinic four months					
18. [illegible], Italian	J	Tripoli	3	1	1	3
a) married o.k., own part of house still intact b) brother-in-law has money c) customs agent partner with brother-in-law- supply					

VI [illegible]

17. [illegible], Emilio (white negro, Zanzur)	J	Tripoli	2	4	1
a) house believed o.k. b) open store c) Victor Hugo - jewelry Gabriel Hugo - cloth merchant Raoul Hugo - grocery store Hugo Hugo - sheep herder, carpenter					
21. [illegible], Alex	J	Tripoli	2	1	7	7
a) house believed o.k. b) 500,000 lire owner, Tripoli c) carpenter, furniture maker					
22. [illegible], Clarence (a negro)	J	Tripoli	4	1	2	1
a) house destroyed, but believes relatives will take him in b) almost no money c) tailor, shop still operating					
23. [illegible], Barbara [illegible]	J	Tripoli	5		1	2
a) still live with brother b) 500 lire in bank, Tripoli; some money still francs c) was in sharecropping agriculture with uncle					
26. [illegible], Maria (wife of Dario Zanzuri, brother of Ernesto)	J	Tripoli	4		1	3
a) probably will live with mother since house is still o.k. b) [illegible] c) prostitute, two sons are Japanese, also employees					

VII [illegible] - Libya

25. [illegible], Sal	J	Tripoli	6	3	1	0
a) o.k., will live with relatives b) 2,300 live with brother-in-law c) restaurant keeper, could be agricultural worker					

VIII [illegible]

[illegible]

IX [illegible]

[illegible]

X [illegible]

[illegible]

XI [illegible]

[illegible]

XII [illegible]

[illegible]

XIII [illegible]

[illegible]

Attachment 12

Analysis of Productivity

	Basic Production	Alternative Production
1. Cloth merchant	7	4
2. Draper	6	
3. Iron Merchant	5	
4. Hardware merchant	4	
5. Shoe merchant	3	
6. Peddler	3	
7. Cattle merchant	1	1
Total 1. Commercial Activities	29	5 50 %
8. Restaurant operator	3	
9. Carpenter, cabinet maker	2	
10. Cotton agent	2	
11. Coal retail, building materials	1	
12. Tailor	1	1
13. Shoemaker	1	
14. Dressmaker	1	
15. Chauffeur, hotel driver	1	
16. Butcher	1	
17. Jeweler	1	
18. Glass, marble setter	1	
19. Owner La Riqueza Factory		1
20. Agricultural worker		1
21. Laborer		2
Total not literally Commercial	14	4 44 %
Total Predominantly Active People Employed	33	23 100 %

Attachment III

Analysis of Economic Situation of
Ineas in Strictly Commercial Activities

Category 1.	45 %	9 breadwinners

Those possessing
a) ready cash either with them or available on their return at the Ineas in Tripoli or with friends or held at the frontier against receipt;

b) housing facilities secured them, either with family or friends or in their own houses which they now are letted;

Category 2.	35 %	7 breadwinners

Those possessing
a) ready cash under above conditions;

b) not being sure that housing facilities will be available to them.

Category 3.	15 %	3 breadwinners

Those
a) being assured of having housing available under Category 1 conditions;

b) being without liquid money available.

NOTE: some of these own property in the form of houses or apartments, and two state that friends are ready to lend them money on their return.

Category 4.	5 %	1

Those
a) not being sure of finding housing available on their return;

b) not possessing liquid money.

TOTAL 20

Office of the British Representative with
the French Committee of National Liberation,
Algiers.

21st November 1943.

BR/47/7.

N°.61.

Your Excellency,

With reference to your notes No. [illegible] of the 13th October and [illegible] of the 17th October, I have the honour to inform you that the [illegible] of the persons named on the first and second lists enclosed therein [illegible] should be granted facilities in Algeria, is approved as soon as transport arrangements have been concluded.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

Roger Makins.

His Excellency,
Monsieur René Massigli,
Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

Algiers.

R/47/7: 19th November, 1943.

Thank you for your letter (JW3 90/5a) of November 9th with particulars of the two Italians who wish to return to their home in Tripolitania.

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D.P.Reilly

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Office of the British Resident
Minister at A.F.H.Q.,
5,rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

RM/47/7.

19 November 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the following two families of Tripolitanian Arabs at present resident in M[illegible] have applied to H.M.Consulate at Casablanca to be repatriated to their homes.

(1) MAHMOUD BEN HADJ MBARCK (Head of Family)
Present address: Derb Chorfa - Rue 26,Maison No. 1. Nouvelle Medina, Casablanca.

Lived at: Barce (80 kms.from Benghazi)
Services Municipaux Police Agent

Had one brother with British forces i.e.

No. 10626 Nafar Mohamed El Hadj, serving with Cyrenaica Defence Force (Gendarmerie) (We have been able to check this statement)

His mother: Mabrouka Bent Mohamed Ben Ayad
His wife Magbula Bent Alouani
His daughter Saida Bent Mohamed
His brother Abdul Hafid Ben Hadj Embarek
His niece Bint Mohamed } daughters of Nafar
His niece Fatma Bent Mohamed } Mohamed El Hadj.

Total of family present here : 7.

(2) SI ABBAS BEN MOHAMED (Head of Family)
Present address : Derb Espagnol, Rue 49, Maison 8, Nouvelle Medina, Casablanca.

/Lived

D.C.C.A.C.,
H.Q.,
Tripolitania.

See 32/35/1680 (44) — 54

Lived at Benghazi Zabri Rue Hassan No. 11
Leatherworker in Souk -

Has two sons : Mohamed Ben Abbas and Ali Ben Abbas stated to be with the British forces.

His wife : Fatima Bent Abbas
Wife of Ali Ben Abbas
Son of Ali Ben Abbas

Total of family present here : 4.

2. H.M.Consul at Casablanca is being asked to advise the Arabs to apply to the French authorities in the normal way for a laissez passer to leave Morocco for Tripolitania.

3. If entry into Tripolitania is authorised, I suggest that H.M. Consul at Casablanca should issue the visa for entry into Tripolitania.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(for the Minister)

D.P. Reilly.

Cypher

INCOMING TELEGRAM

From: Minister of State, Cairo. D. 1150 19.11.43

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 1500 19.11.43

No. 327 (18.11.43)

Addressed to Resident Minister, Algiers, telegram 327, repeated to Tunis, Tripbase, Cyrenaica.

Your telegram No. 334.

Repatriation to Cyrenaica as soon as transport arrangements have been concluded of all persons listed in despatches 1 and 2 from British representative to F.C.N.L. approved.

These are lists 1 and 2 of refugees at present in Algeria. Draft to C. F. A.

J. M. Adams
Nov. 24th.

BRITISH CONSULATE,

CASABLANCA,

Morocco.

3348 90/1a

9th November, 1943.

Dear Makins,

I thank you for your letter R.M./47/7 of the 2nd November, regarding the eleven Tripolitanian Arabs who have applied for repatriation, and give you hereunder the required details.

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Office of the British Resident Minister
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His wife : Fatima Bent Abbas
Wife of Ali Ben Abbas
Son of Ali Ben Abbas

Total of family present here : 4.

Transmitted.

See drafts submitted
after consultation with Major Cocon
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(Refugee Section, N.A.E.B.)

We can best wait for the lists as they come in from the C.F.A. Griffin is in touch with French authorities. If Cairo or Benghazi require more details than C.F.A. give us regarding each man, Griffin can supplement them. 16/11

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Cypher OUTGOING T[illegible]

From : Resident Minister Algiers 13.11.43

To : Minister of State Cairo

R4.59

No. 534 (13.11.43)

Repeated Fd. Saving No.34, and F.A.C.S. This Saving No. 33, Rome, Frigbam, M, A.M.A., Cyrenaica by Army bag.

My telegram No. 297. /54

Details so far available are as follows:

Fourtelegram No. [illegible]. Para. 2(a). - 4 U

593 persons in all in Tunisia wish to return to Cyrenaica. 393 of these are Jews and non Moslem. Para. 2(b). Approximately 200 will require financial assistance; a complete list is in the process of being drawn up. French authorities agree to meet cost of transport.

2. Please inform me as soon as possible whether repatriation is authorized.

3. See also my despatches 3 and 4 of Jan. 1944 which contain first list of 14 repatriates from Sfax and third and fourth lists of 20 repatriates from Gabes all of whom wish to return to Cyrenaica.

D.15/11

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Office of the British Representative to the French Committee of National Liberation, Algiers.

No. 2417/1.
No. 64

12th November, 1943.

Ref 64

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 6 of the 2nd October and to enclose herein the third and fourth lists of refugees in Algeria who request naturalization to return to their home in Greece.

2. I am writing copies of this despatch to the Consul General, Cairo, Beirut, Tripoli, and the Ambassadors of the British Military Missions, Tunis.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(for the Minister)

D.

The Right Hon. Sir Orme Sargent, Foreign Office, S.W.1.

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MP/JC.

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat aux
Affaires Etrangères.

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

ALGER, LE 10 NOV 1943 194

N° 10911 /A.E. /42.

A RAPPELER

Se référant à sa correspondance antérieure et en dernier lieu à sa note n° 9.666, du 19 Octobre, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de faire parvenir, sous ce pli, à M. MACMILLAN la troisième et la quatrième liste des sujets et protégés français, réfugiés en Algérie, qui sollicitent l'autorisation de rejoindre leurs foyers en Cyrénaïque.

- Pièce jointe -

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait obligé à Monsieur MACMILLAN de lui faire savoir si les Autorités britanniques donnent leur assentiment au rapatriement des personnes dont il s'agit./.

Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN, M.P.
Ministre d'Etat, Représentant du Gouvernement
de Sa Majesté Britannique auprès du Comité
Français de la Libération Nationale,

A L G E R.

GOUVERNEMENT GENERAL
DE L'ALGERIE

DIRECTION DE LA
SECURITE GENERALE

Liste nº 4 des réfugiés repliés en Algérie qui sollicient leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient précédemment domiciliés

Noms	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Domicile qu'il désire regagner	Comme d'accueil en Algérie	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
TEMMAM	Effraïm	I880 Benghazi	Distillateur	3	Benghazi, 34 rue Sidi Saïd	Blida		548
TEMMAM	Naïm	I898 Tripoli	sans		dº	dº	Ière épouse du précédent	549
TEMMAM	Sasia	I868 Tripoli	sans		dº	dº	2ème épouse du précédent	550
TAMMAM	Isaac	I908 Benghazi	Commerçant	5	Benghazi 6 Boulevard Baladia	dº		55I
TAMMAM	Mouri	I9I3 Tripoli	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	552
TAMMAM	Haï Victor	I907 Benghazi	Commerçant	2	Benghazi IO Boulevard Baladia	dº		553
TAMMAM	Esther	I906 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	554

GOUVERNEMENT GENERAL
D'ALGERIE

DIRECTION DE LA
JUSTICE GENERALE.

Liste No. 4 des réfugiés repliés en Algérie qui sollicient leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient précédemment domiciliés.

Noms	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Domicile qu'il désire regagner	Centre d'accueil en Algerie.	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
[illegible]	Effraim	1880 Benghazi	Distillateur	3	Benghazi, 34 rue Sidi Said	Blida		548
[illegible]	Naim	1898 Tripoli	sans		do	do	1ere épouse du précédent	549
[illegible]	Nazia	1868 Tripoli	sans		do	do	2ème épouse du précédent	550
[illegible]	Isaac	1908 Benghazi	Commerçant	5	Benghazi 6 Boulevard Baladia	do		551
[illegible]	Rouri	1913 Tripoli	sans		do	do	épouse du précédent	552
[illegible]	Nai Victor	1907 Benghazi	Commerçant	2	Benghazi 10 Boulevard Baladia	do		553
[illegible]	Esther	1906 Benghazi	sans		do	do	épouse du précédent	554

GOUVERNEMENT GENERAL
DE L'ALGERIE

SECURITE GENERALE

Liste nº3 des réfugiés repliés en Algérie sollicitant leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient précédemment domiciliés

Noms	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Domicile qu'il désire regagner	Commune d'accueil en Algérie	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
HADDAD née HABIB	Toumine	I906 Tripoli	Ménagère	2	Benghazi	Milianа	veuve	535
ZARD née ASSAL	Diamanti	I9I3 Benghazi	sans	I	dº	dº	mari interné en Italie	536
ZARD	David	I879 Dº	Commerçant		Benghazi rue Zarghet l'Ohesi nº43	dº		537
ZARD	Julia	I882 dº	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	538
ZARD	Elie	I9I3 dº	Tailleur		dº	dº	fils	539
ZARD	Hamouz	I0 Octobre I908 Benghazi	Commerçant	2	Benghazi rue Missicipion	dº		540
ZARD	Quintina	I9I5 dº	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	54I
MOHAMED	ben Miloud	I883 Biskra (Algérie)	Taleb		Derna, via Toscana nº56	Biskra		542
ABDERRAMANE	ben Sadik	I887 Kef(Tunisie)	Commerçant		Benghazi rue Marabout sidi HSEIN nº4	Médéa		543
AHMED ben Saad	ben ARAR	I864 Kef(Tunisie)	dº		Benghazi quartier Ras El Abida	dº		544
SAIDA bent	Boujida Ghazala	vers I903 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	545
BRAMLI	Elie	I4 juillet I899 Benghazi	Commerçant	4	Benghazi via Medai	Constantine		546
BRAMLI	Clémentine	I3 juillet I902 Benghazi	sans		dº	dº	épouse du précédent	547

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DE L'ALGERIE.

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Liste No. 3 des réfugiés rapatriés en Algérie sollicitant leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient precedemment domiciliés

Noms	Prenoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Localité qu'il desire regagner	Dernier domicile en Algerie.	Observations.	Numero d'ordre
[illegible] nee KAUFF	Yvonne	1908 Tripoli	Ménagere	1	Benghazi	Milianah	veuve	535
[illegible] nee [illegible]	Fernande	1913 Benghazi	sans	1	do	do	mari interne en Italie	536
[illegible]	David	1879 do	Commerçant		Benghazi rue Zanghet l'Ohani n°43	do		537
[illegible]	Julia	1882 do	sans		do	do	epouse du precedent	538
[illegible]	Elie	1913 do	Tailleur		do	do	fils	539
[illegible]	Maurice	10 Octobre 1908 Benghazi	Commerçant	2	Benghazi rue Massinissa	do		540
[illegible]	Antoinette	1915 do	sans		do	do	epouse du precedent	541
[illegible]	Ben Miloud	1883 Biskra (Algerie)	Taleb		Derna, via Tobrouk n° 26	Biskra		542
[illegible]	Ben Hadib	1887 Kef (Tunisie)	Cultivateur		Benghazi rue Marabout sidi HEKIM N° 4.	Medea		543
AHMED ben Saad	Ben [illegible]	1864 Kef (Tunisie)	do		Benghazi quartier Ras El Abide	do		544
[illegible] bent	Roujida Ghazala	vers 1903 Benghazi	sans		do	do	epouse du precedent	545
[illegible]I	Elie	14 juillet 1899 Benghazi	Commerçant	4	Benghazi via Medui	Constantine		546
[illegible]I	Clementine	13 juillet 1902 Benghazi	sans		do	do	epouse du precedent	547

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ROUTINE

FROM: MIDEAST FROM CIVAFFAIRS

TO: FREEDOM

REF TO THIS MESSAGE OET/30686/11, 3 November 1943

Your 2837 of 26 Oct. and my OET/28271 of 28 Oct.

1. Prepared accept LIBYAN ARABS subject to prior investigation of domicile on receipt of personal particulars.

2. Will NOT accept ITALIANS.

3. Prepared consider other bases on their merits on receipt of personal particulars.

2837 is MC OUT 8132 27/10/43 MGS.
OET/28271 is MC IN 18786 30/10/43 MGS.

ACTION: MGS

INFORMATION: SGS
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A.M.S. Palermo

ROUTINE

TO: FARGO

REF NO. 8177

SIGNED: EISENHOWER, CITE FHMGS

Reference your 205/EQ of 21 October.

1. MID EAST prepared accept LIBYAN Arabs, subject to prior investigation of domicile and on receipt of personal particulars.

2. Will not accept Italians.

3. Are prepared consider other elements on their merits on receipt of personal particulars.

4. Be after that if necessary matter may be taken up with Security and Movement authorities here, please state whether you wish to repatriate any personnel as in paras 1 and 2. If so request personal particulars and details of domicile.

ORIGINATOR: MGS

AUTHORITICATION: T.B. JACKMAN, MAJOR

INFORMATION:
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IMPORTANT

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OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE,
10 SHARIA TOLUMBAT,
CAIRO.

30th October, 1943.

Sir,

With reference to your despatches R.M./47/7 Nos. 1 and 2 of the 14th and 22nd October respectively, regarding French subjects and protected persons who wish to return from Algeria to Cyrenaica.

I am directed by the Minister of State Resident in the Middle East to inform you that the lists of these persons enclosed in your despatches have been forwarded to the Chief Civil Affairs Officer, G.H.Q., M.E., with a request that Mr Casey may be informed as soon as possible whether these persons may be repatriated as proposed.

2. It is understood that Jewish representatives from Tunisia arrived on the 27th October in Cyrenaica to make arrangements for the reception of the repatriates, and the Chief Civil Affairs Officer would be grateful if you would send copies of your despatches concerning Cyrenaica to the Headquarters of the British Military Administration, Cyrenaica, as well as to the B.M.A. Tripbase.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant

British Representative
To the French Committee of
National Liberation,
Algiers.

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat aux Affaires Etrangères

Direction Politique
Crimes - Exil - Divers

N°10584 /25

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Commissariat aux Affaires Etrangères

Direction Politique
Afrique - Asie - Colonies

N° 10853 /26.

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Au Télégramme International BERLIN, n°
Département ou Ambassade ou Légation
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OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE

10, SHARIA TOLUMBAT

CAIRO.

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.....2nd. November, ... 1943.

SAVINGRAM NO. 9.

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE * CAIRO *

With the compliments of .....

RESIDENT MINISTER. ALGIERS.

Mr Addis 9/11

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TOO : 28 HTT

R O U T I N E

FROM : MIDEAST FROM CIVAFFAIRS

TO : FREEDOM REPEATED BEMA TRIPDIST REPEATED BAMA CYRDIST

REFERENCE NO. THIS MESSAGE : OET 28271, 28 October 1943.

Your 2837 October 26.—55

Before replying I am referring to territories concerned.

They are at present finding difficulty in reabsorbing repatriates from NORTH AFRICA.

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MRTN MR MURPHY
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MR 3/11

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Office of the British Representative to
the French Committee of National Liberation,
ALGIERS.

R.M./47/7. 2nd November, 1943.

My dear Napier

Thank you for your letter No. 3103 90/1a of the 22nd October, about the eleven Tripolitanian Arabs who have applied for repatriation.

If you will let us have full details of the individuals in question, we will take the matter up with the appropriate authorities in Algiers and Tripoli.

Yours sincerely

Roger Makins.

A.H. Williamson-Napier, Esq.,
Casablanca.

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T.11./47/7.

To: Military Government Section,
A.F.H.Q.
From: Resident Minister's Office.

Reference Freedom telegram No. 2857 to Midenst.

52 ... You may be interested to see copy of enclosed letter from Brigadier Lush to H.M. Consul General, Tunis, setting out the conditions under which B.C.C.M.G., Tripolitania is prepared to accept the repatriation of French Tunisian Jews into Tripolitania.

D.

1st November, 1943.

Cypher

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

SECRET TELEGRAM

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. 1450 24.10.43

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Repeated in 127 (23.10.43)

Repeated to Foreign Office. No. 17 Saving.

Your telegram No. 273. M4/

We are obtaining detailed report from the French. Meanwhile our information is as follows:

Your para. 2 (a) all with few exceptions.

Your para. 3 (b) about 75 per cent will be self supporting.

2. Transport arrangements are under discussion.

D. 28/10

MR 28/x

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TO FOR ACTION: MIDEAST

REF NO: 2837

SIGNED: EISENHOWER, CITE FHMGS

Hq AMG SICILY have received a number of applications by evacuees from TRIPOLITANIA and CYRENAICA to return to those districts. Before matter is investigated in regard to security, transportation and other aspects please state whether you would be willing to accept them. No details available numbers involved, but please indicate in your reply whether this is a consideration, and state whether you would wish impose any other stipulations such as age, physical ability to work, localities to which evacuees might not return, etc.

ORIGINATOR: MIL GOVT SEC AUTHENTICATION: MAJOR T B JACKMAN

INFORMATION: SGS
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I think M.I. Sect. should have a copy of this 52. Duncan 28/10

MC OUT 8132 27 Oct 43 1331A Ref No. 2837 Js/S

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BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL

TUNIS

25th October, 1943.

With the compliments

of

His Majesty's Consul General

to the Resident Minister, Algiers.

? Cop to Mil. Govt. Sec.
A.F.H.Q.

See 53

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NM/T/1134.

M.C.C.M.A. Tripolitania.

18th October, 1943.

Sir

I have the honour to refer to your unnumbered telegram of October 31st (your No.41 to Algiers) sent in reply to my M.M.A.T/1134 of October 16th, and to confirm conversations which I have had with yourself and the French Authorities to-day.

I am prepared to accept the 772 French (Tunisian) Jews into Tripolitania subject to the following conditions:-

(1) That,if possible, the whole party be sent by sea to Tripoli.

(2) Failing (1) that the total be divided into three parties which should leave Tunis at intervals of not less than 15 days.

(3) That a list giving exact details of the composition of each party be sent at least 7 days in advance of each party.This list to give names, sex, age, address and occupation of each member, man,woman and child of the party.

(4) That each person and his effects are disinfected during the 24 hours prior to their departure and a medical certificate be provided to this effect.

(5) That a responsible French official and a Medical officer accompanies each party bearing with him the medical certificate (see 4.above)and a list giving the composition of each party.

(6) That sufficient food for 7 days is sent with each party.

(7) That the move be completed before mid-December.

I should be grateful if you would represent to the French Authorities that conditions of life are worse in Tripolitania than in Tunisia and that food is definitely scarce. It should also be clearly pointed out that these refugees will not be considered as entitled to relief in Tripolitania.

The above permission applies only to those refugees destined for Tripolitania.Refugees destined for Cyrenaica should be sent by ship direct to Benghazi under arrangements to be made with the D.C.C.A.O. Cyrenaica.

H.B.M. Consul General,
TUNIS.

M. S. Lush.
D.C.C.A.O.

COPY

BMA/T/1234.

H.Q., B.M.A. Tripolitania.

25th October, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your unnumbered telegram of October 21st (your No. 51 to Algiers) sent in reply to my B.M.A.T./1234 of October 19th, and to confirm conversations which I have had with yourself and the French Authorities to-day.

I am prepared to accept the 772 French (Tunisian) Jews into Tripolitania subject to the following conditions:-

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(Sgd: M.G. Lush,
Brigadier)
D.C.C.A.O.

H.B.M. Consul General,
Tunis.

Copies to:- C.A.B., Cairo.
Resident Minister, Algiers.
S.C.A.O., Western Province.

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BRITISH CONSULATE,

CASABLANCA,

Morocco.

3103 90/1a

22nd October, 1943.

My dear Makins.

Two families of Tripolitan Arabs, numbering eleven in all, of whom all but two are women and children, have applied to this Consulate for their repatriation to Tripoli, since, they say, that country is now under British military occupation. In support of their request, it was stated that in one case - which we know to be correct - a brother and in the other case the two sons were serving with the British forces in Tripoli. This, they added, was the reason why the families were expelled from Tripoli by the Italian authorities at the time. They state they are unable to earn a livelihood in Morocco, but on the other hand there appears nothing in our records here enabling us to intervene in a matter which on the face of it would seem capable of solution by the Protectorate authorities.

Nevertheless, I do not wish to turn away families who have been cast out from their homes because their men are helping us, and I should be glad to know whether, in your opinion, there is anything we can usefully do to help these people.

? Ask. T. to endorse copy of letter 52, giving Condition of entry to Tripolitania.

Yours sincerely,

Duncan 28/10

MR 31/x

Roger Makins, Esq., Office of the British Resident Minister, Algiers.

Reply at 56

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Office of the British Representative to
French Committee of National Liberation,
Algiers.

F.C./47/7.
No. 34.

Ref. 44

25th October, 1943.

Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to your note No. 9510/1.7., of the 19th October, concerning the repatriation of French subjects and protected persons to Cyrenaica and to inform you that, according to information recently received from the Minister of State in Cairo, the Headquarters of the British military administration in Cyrenaica have received from the authorities in Tripoli a first batch of requests from French subjects, mostly Jews, who were removed from Cyrenaica to Tunisia in 1941. It is said that the treatment of the Jewish community in Cyrenaica has also called for the return of Jews who have exhausted their funds; that Civil Affairs officers at Benghazi and Derna are prepared to receive these persons; and that the Deputy Chief Civil Affairs officer in Tripoli is himself in favour of repatriation on the same basis as other destitute repatriates. They can, of course, only return by sea.

2. I should therefore be grateful if you could ascertain:

(a) the total number of Jews formerly resident in Cyrenaica and now in Tunisia who wish to return to Cyrenaica;

and (b) what proportion of the whole will need financial assistance on their return to Cyrenaica.

3. It is considered that the costs of repatriation would /

His Excellency M. [illegible],
Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

should be provided by the appropriate French authorities.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

For the Minister

(sgd.) Kingsley Rooks

Copied H.M. Consul General,
Tunis

R.M./47/7. 50A

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Reference Cairo telegram No. 278.

Herewith draft to the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs. Before sending we should perhaps, however, consult Mr. Gordon of the Relief Department of N.A.E.B.

It seems a pity that Cairo do not wish to encourage the Joint Distribution Committee to assist in the matter. since it may be difficult to persuade the French to provide the necessary funds.

M. Rokyk

D.

20th October, 1943.

(2.)

I think we should [illegible] to make the arrangements for transport.

Check with M. Gordon before sending.

(3)

(4)

(5.)

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

INCOMING TELEGRAM.

From: H.M.C.G., Tunis.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers.

No. 51 (21.10.43)

Addressed to [redacted] Tripdist, repeated to Resmin, Algiers, and Civil Affairs Mideast.

Your telegram [redacted]AT/1234 19. The three persons in question have gone in private capacity but with approval of French authorities to contact leaders of Jewish Community in Tripoli. Their mission is to try to arrange for the Jewish Community in Tripoli to look after the refugees from Tunis, most of whom are Jews, if and when they arrive. French authorities assure me that there is no question of refugees leaving Tunis until permission is granted by you for their entry into Tripoli.

Good, on télex at 48 hrs
evidently redundant. 23/10

23/10

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[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
No. 31.

[illegible]

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to our previous correspondence concerning the registration of French subjects and protected persons in Cyprus and to inform you that the British military authorities in Tripolitania understand from an official party of these French who have arrived at the frontier that 77 refugees desiring to enter Tripolitania are following them. The British authorities wish to ensure that none of these 77 persons leaving Tunisia before the Algerian party have been examined, shall be allowed to proceed that a passport visa has been granted for entry into Cyprus.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for the Minister,
(sgd.) Kingsley Rooker

Copied to C.S. Tunis
9 M/State Cairo.
22/10

[illegible]
Assistant for Foreign Affairs.

En clair. INCOMING TELEGRAM.

From: Bema, Tripolst.

To: H.M.C.G., Algiers. R. 20.10.43.

BMAT/1234 19

Copied.
Resident
Minister.

SECRET.

To HBM Consul General Tunis reptd Ministate Algiers rptd Civ Affairs Mideast from Bema Tripolst.

BZAL200/X pass to 2nd addressee pass to A/C Algiers pass 1st and wnd adds GR75.

My 938 of 2 Sept addressed Algiers repd Tunis. Understand advance party three French Jews have arrived at frontier and state 772 destined for Tripoli are following. Please ensure that none of th se 772 leave Tunis before we examine these three persons and learn their mission. It should not be assumed that permission will be granted
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D/t 6 C.F.A.
D. 21/10
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COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
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Commissariat aux
Affaires Etrangères
Direction Politique
Afrique-Asie-Océanie.

N° 9664/A.E.
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Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN, M.P.

Représentant du Gouvernement de Sa Majesté
Britannique auprès du Comité Français de la
Libération Nationale,
5, Rue du Professeur Curtillet, 5
A L G E R.

Se référant à sa note nº 5861 du 19 Août, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de faire parvenir sous ce pli à Monsieur MACMILLAN la deuxième liste des sujets et protégés français, réfugiés en Algérie, qui sollicitent l'autorisation de rejoindre leurs foyers en Cyrénaïque.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait obligé à Monsieur MACMILLAN de lui faire savoir, aussitôt que faire se pourra, si les autorités britanniques donnent leur assentiment au rapatriement des personnes dont il s'agit./.

GOUVERNEMENT GENERAL
DE L'ALGERIE

SECRETARIAT GENERAL

Liste n°2 des réfugiés repliés en Algérie sollicitant leur retour en CYRENAIQUE, où ils étaient précédemment domiciliés

Nom	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants qui l'accompagnent	Domicile qu'il désire regagner	Commune d'accueil en Algérie	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
BARALES	Sasi	1901 Tripoli	Pâtissier	I	Benghazi, via Stagnini n° I	Oran		526
BARALES	Elisa	1906 Benghazi	sans		d°	d°	épouse du précédent	527
BARALES	Llafo	1928 Benghazi	d°		d°	d°	fils	528
BARANES	Masi	1886 Tripoli	d°		d°	d°	grand'père	529
TAMAR	Nessim	20 sept. 1882 Benghazi	Tailleur		Benghazi, 121 via S. Francisco d'Assisi	d°		530
TAMAR	Klafo	1923 Benghazi	Tailleur	I	Benghazi Piazza Municipio n°10	d°		531
TAMAR	Esther	1922 Bengazi	sans		d°	d°	épouse du précédent	532
TAMAR	Khammous	1897 Benghazi	Menuisier	I	d°	d°		533
TAMAR	Esther	1913 Bengazi	sans		d°	d°	épouse du précédent	534

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Nom et Prénom	Composition de la Famille.	Adresse à Casablanca	Profession actuelle du Chef de Famille	Ancienne résidence et ancienne profession en Tyrénaïque
1 - [illegible]	4	Espagnol, rue 49, No.8.	Officier agréé	[illegible] - Cordonnier
2 - [illegible]	2	Chorfa, rue 26, No.1.	" "	[illegible] - Commerçant en bestiaux
3 - [illegible]	3	Espagnol, rue 49, No.8.	marc. Peign.	[illegible] - Commerçant de bestiaux
4 - [illegible]	4	Chorfa, rue 9, No.25	Maçon	[illegible] - Maçon
5 - [illegible]	5	Chorfa, rue 24, No.1.	Tripier	[illegible] - Commerçant épicier
6 - [illegible]	3	" " "	sans prof.	[illegible] - Cultivateur
7 - [illegible]	7	" " "	" "	[illegible] - Agent de Police
8 - [illegible]	3	" " "	" "	[illegible] - Commerçant de bestiaux
9 - [illegible]	6	" " "	" "	[illegible] - Maçon
10 - [illegible]	6	" " "	" "	[illegible] - Infirmier
11 - [illegible]	4	" " "	Chef. Indét.	[illegible] - Cultivateur
12 - [illegible]	3	Taïba, rue 25, No.3	Id.	[illegible] - Chauffeur
13 - [illegible]	6	Taïba, rue 11, No.5	Cultivateur	[illegible] - Cultivateur
14 - [illegible]	4	Chorfa, rue 16, No.1.	Réfugié avec son oncle commerçant à Casa	[illegible] - Cultivateur.

(No 1. To be kept of those to be repatriated by Tripolitania or has been sent to Resdt.-Gen. at Tunis D.14/10)

Liste (n° 2)

Nom	Prénoms	Date et lieu de naissance	Profession	Nombre d'enfants à la charge du Compagnon	Domicile qu'il quitte	Commune d'accueil	Observations	Numéro d'ordre
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Bijoutier	3	Derna, rue de la Cyrénaïque	Orleansville		501
[illegible]	Cassia	1900 Benghazi	sans		do	do	épouse du	502
[illegible]	Léon	1925 Benghazi	Employé de		BARCE, via Mohamed	Lachouat		[illegible]
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[illegible]	Mohammed	1900 Benghazi	cultivateur		do	do		[illegible]
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EL GHEZZIEL	Smisha	1907 Tripoli	sans		do	do	épouse du précédent	[illegible]
EL GHEZZIEL	Zohra	1876 Tripoli	sans		do	do	belle-mère	[illegible]
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J.C./L.

liste n° 1 - Alliance

RECENSEMENT DES REFUGIES LIBYENS DE NATIONALITE

MAROCAINE EN RESIDENCE A CASABLANCA.

Nom et Prénom	Composition de la famille	Adresse à Casablanca	Profession actuelle du Chef de famille	Ancienne résidence et ancienne profession en Lyréanïque
I - ABBES BEN MOHAMED DAOUDI	4	Espagnol, rue 49, N° 8	Epicier agréé	BENGHAZI - Cordonnier
2 - MOHAMED BEN HADJ AHMED	2	Chorfa, rue 26, N° I	" "	BENGHAZI - Commerçant en bestiaux
3 - MOHAMED BEN HADJ DJILLALI	3	Espagnol, rue 49, N° 8	marc. Beign.	BARCE - Commerçant de bestiaux
4 - MUSTAPHA BEN HADJ DRISS	4	Chorfa, rue 9, N° 25	Maçon	BENGHAZI - Maçon
5 - ABDELLAH B/ AHMED DICURI	5	Chorfa, rue 26, N° I	Fripier	BENGHAZI - Commerçant épicier
6 - HADJ ALI BEN MOHAMED	5	" " "	sans prof.	BARCE - Cafetier
7 - MAHMOUD B/ HADJ EMBAREK	7	" " "	" "	BARCE - Agent de Police
8 - LARBI B/ HADJ M'HAMED	3	" " "	" "	BENGHAZI - Commerçant de bestiaux
9 - DJILLALI B/ HADJ AHMED	6	" " "	" "	BENGHAZI - Maçon
I0 - AHMED BEN MOHAMED DADSI	6	" " "	" "	BENGHAZI - Infirmier
II - MOHAMED Ben HADJ ALI	4	" " "	TRav. Améri.	BENGHAZI - Infirmier
I2 - SALAH BEN HADJ MAHJOUB	3	Tolba, rue 25, N° 3	d°	BARCE - Chauffeur
I3 - AHMED B/ HADJ ALI DJEBLI	6	Tolba, rue II, N° 5	Charretier	BENGHAZI - Charretier
I4 - ABDELKADER BEN KHALAT	4	Chorfa, rue 26, N° I	Employé avec son cousin commerçant en tissus.	BENGHAZI - Epicier

Cypher.

INCOMING TEL[illegible] RESIDENT'S COMM.

From: Minister of State, Cairo. D.0100 19.10.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 0900 19.10.43.

Resmin 278 (18.10.43)

Repeated to Foreign Office, Saving.

My telegram No. 1722 to Foreign Office.

Headquarters of British Military Administration Cyrenaica have received from Tunis Authorities the first batch of requests from French subjects mostly Jews who were removed from Cyrenaica to Tunisia in 1942 by the Italian authorities and who now wish to return to Benghazi and Barce. The President of the Jewish Community in Benghazi has also asked for return of Jews who have exhausted their funds. Civil Affairs officers at both places named are prepared to receive these persons and D CAO is in favour of repatriation on the same terms as other destitute repatriations. They can only return by sea.

2. I should be grateful if you could ascertain

a) whether all Jews formerly resident in Cyrenaica wish to return

b) what proportion of the whole will need financial assistance on their return to Cyrenaica

c) What arrangements can be made to transport them from Tunisia.

3. It is considered that transport and costs of repatriation should be provided by the French authorities.

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See minute attached and draft to C.F.A. 20/10

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See reply at 54

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Office of the British Representative to the
French Committee of National Liberation,
Algiers.

No./47/7
No. 1.

14th October, 1943.

Sir,

32.

With reference to paragraph 4 of my telegram No. 44 of the 11th September containing text of telegram to [illegible], Tripoli, which was repeated to H.M. Consul-General, Tunis, I have the honour to enclose herein copy of a first list of French subjects and protected persons who have been [illegible] in Algeria and who desire to return to their normal [illegible]. This list, drawn up by the Government-General of Algeria, has been submitted to us by the Italian Armistice Commission for [illegible]. A further list will be submitted as soon as the necessary particulars have been collected.

2. I should be grateful if you could let me have as soon as possible [illegible] if approved.

3. I am sending copies of this despatch to H.M. Consul-General, Tunis, and [illegible], Tripoli.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(for the Minister)

(sgd.) Duncannon.

Enc 77

The Right Hon. R.G. Casey, P.C., D.S.O., M.C.,
Minister of State,
Cairo.

Office of the British Representative to the
French Committee of National Liberation,
ALGIERS.

R.M./47/7.
No. 26.

14th October, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your communication 9152/A.E., of the 13th October, concerning the repatriation of French subjects and protected persons to Cyrenaica.

2. Copies of the list enclosed have been forwarded to the Minister of State in Cairo, His Majesty's Consul-General, Tunis and British Military Administration, Tripolitania.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,
for the Minister,

His Excellency Monsieur René Massigli,
Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

MP/TP

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat aux
Affaires Etrangères

Direction Politique
Afrique - Asie - Océanie.

N° 9152 /A.E.

A RAPPELER

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

ALGER, LE 13 OCT 1943 194

Se référant à sa note n° 5861 du 19 Août, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de faire parvenir sous ce pli à Monsieur MACMILLAN la première liste des sujets et protégés français, refugiés en Algérie, qui sollicitent l'autorisation de rejoindre leurs foyers en Cyrénaïque.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait obligé à Monsieur MACMILLAN de lui faire savoir aussitôt que faire se pourra si les autorités britanniques donnent leur assentiment au rapatriement des personnes dont il s'agit./.

Spoke Balai. A further list will be submitted in due course as soon as full particulars have been collected by Govt.-Gen.

Draft to Cairo. — 43

Ack. — 42

D. 14/10

KCR 14/18

Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN M.P.
Représentant du Gouvernement de S.M. Britannique
auprès du Comité Français de la Libération
Nationale.

ALGER

Office of the British Representative to the
French Committee of National Liberation,

ALGIERS.

RH/47/7
No. 24.

6th October, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of and to thank you for your note No. 8325/A.E. of the 2nd October, the contents of which have been noted.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

KR 6/16

The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

MP/IS

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat
aux Affaires Etrangères

Direction Politique
Afrique - Asie - Océanie

N° 8385 /A.E.
A RAPPELER

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

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ALGER, LE - 2 OCT 1943 194

Par note N° 6699 du 6 Septembre, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères avait fait savoir à Monsieur MACMILLAN que M. BERQUE, Directeur des Affaires Musulmanes au Gouvernement Général de l'Algérie, avait été chargé, en ce qui concerne l'Algérie, de la question du rapatriement en Libye des sujets et protégés français.

Aux termes d'une communication récente du Général CATROUX, il résulte que le règlement de cette question ressortira désormais à M. TAITTINGER, Directeur de la Sécurité Générale./.

Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN M.P.
Représentant du Gouvernement britannique
auprès du C.F.L.N.

A L G E R

British Consulate-General

Tunis

Ist October I943

With the compliments

of

His Majesty's Consul-General

to The Resident Minister

Algiers

B.M.A. Tripoli would be
chooses!

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M. Addis (a return). 4/10.

DJ/LB

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British Consulate-General,

Tunis.

1st October 1943

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.[illegible] of 14th September I have the honour to inform you that during Major Urquhart's recent visit to Tunis the Residency General protested informally against what they thought was his intention to take back to Tripolitania only selected men and to leave their wives and children behind. At the Major's request the Chef du Bureau Diplomatique was informed that any [illegible] men accepted would be accompanied by his wife, children and other dependants who had followed him to Tunisia. I would deprecate any failure to put this procedure into effect should the persons to whom you refer fall into this category.

2. - I observe the Resident General in his note [illegible] of 30th.August requested us to arrange for the repatriation to Tripolitania of Italians of the following categories:-

(a) Persons originally from Tunisia who had left the country before 7th.November 1942 without any intention of returning.

(b) Persons employed by the Axis forces.

(c) Families closely [illegible] from the area of operations who had taken refuge in Tunisia.

In his note the Resident General asks if clear that the continued presence of these persons does in fact cause considerable inconvenience. In reply I suggested information as to the numbers involved but this has not yet been received.

3.- The Resident General attaches great importance to the repatriation of both French and Italians to Libya from Tunisia and I would like to give him some measure of satisfaction if only to encourage him to be more helpful himself over other matters. I am asking him for the information you require and I hope you will be able eventually to agree to the return of at least the women and children you mention.

4. - I am sending a copy of this letter to the Resident Minister at Algiers.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

([illegible]) B. L. Montgomery.

The R.T.O.A.C.,
S.L., S.A.C.,
Tripolitania.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

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TELEGRAM.

From: Mr. Makins (Rosmin), Algiers.

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Date: 27th September, 1943.

No: Rosmin 15.

My telegram No. 287.

At suggestion of H.M. Consul-General, Tunis, Swiss Consul is now endorsing identity documents issued by him with the words "non valable pour l'entrée en Tripolitaine sans le visa militaire britannique."

KQ 29/9

Mr. Gordon of the Relief Department of M.A.E.I. accompanied by two of his assistants called to-day on the subject of refugees in Algeria eligible for repatriation to Tripolitania and Cyrenaica.

2. His two assistants were about to make a tour, with the agreement of the French authorities, in the neighbourhood of Constantine, Oran and Algiers, to obtain particulars of the refugees. Before going they would like to know

(a) whether there was any alteration of the position as regards entry into Tripolitania and Cyrenaica.

(b) whether there were any special particulars which it would be desirable to obtain, and

(c) whether they should get into contact with the Field Security police before they left.

3. On the first point I replied in the negative. On the second point I said that they should bear in mind that for Cyrenaica the particulars would have to be forwarded to the British military administration for transfer for entry in each particular case. They should therefore endeavour to obtain particulars which would enable the persons in question to be easily identifiable in Cyrenaica.

4. On the third point I said that I thought it would certainly be advisable for them to see the Field Security Police in order to ascertain the sort of information which the F.S.P. require for vetting individuals.

5. I said I would let Mr. Gordon know as soon as there was any information about the re-opening of the Tripolitanian frontier.

RB

KGP 29/9

28th September, 1943.

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British Consulate-General,

Tunis

23rd September 1943

With the compliments

of

His Majesty's Consul-General

to Kingsley Rooker Esq.,

Algiers

Submit with
C.O. papers 2 & 27. H.P. - KCR 26/9
I think we might pass
this on to Cairo saving. Draft.
J.M. Adams
Sept. 27th.

No 37

COPY

CONSULAT DE SUISSE

TUNIS

Tunis le 22 septembre 1943

QQ.41/1/ FL.

Monsieur le Consul Général,

J'ai eu l'honneur de recevoir votre lettre du 20 de ce mois, concernant les laissez-passer délivrés par mon Consulat à des Tripolitains et je ne manquerai pas à l'avenir de donner suite à votre suggestion en inscrivant sur chacun de ces documents la mention:

" NON VALABLE POUR L'ENTREE EN TRIPOLITAINE SANS
" LE VISA MILITAIRE BRITANNIQUE."

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Consul Général, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée

Le Consul de Suisse:

signé Petitmermet

Monsieur le Consul-Général
de Sa Majesté Britannique
Tunis

See No 26 & 27.

Office of the British Representative to
the French Committee of National Liberation.
Algiers.

18th September 1943.

R.M./47/7.

Sir,

With reference to my note of the 23rd August, I have the honour to inform you that the British military authorities at Tripoli have suggested that a French official should be sent to consult with them regarding the arrangements for the repatriation of French refugees to Tripolitania and Cyrenaica.

2. I should be glad to learn whether the French authorities are willing to accept this suggestion.

3. I should add that it has still not been found possible to re-open the Tunisian-Tripolitanian frontier.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for the Minister.

Kingsley Rooker.

Commissioner for Foreign Affairs.

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FROM EMMA TRIPHASE

TO RESIDENT MINISTER AT AFHQ

REF TO THIS MESSAGE: EMA/T/984 Sept 16, 1943

2819 thank you.

Suggest FRENCH authorities send Officer here to consult as to arrangements for TRIPOLITANIA and CYRENAICA. In meantime suggest arrangements remain in suspense. My EMA/T/889 not now relavent.

2819 CMIC BY BCLO RESIDENT MINISTER SEP 11

ACTION: MR. MAC MILLAN

INFORMATION: BCLO

Draft to CFA
JTMAdams
Sept. 17th.

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Cypher. OUTGOING TELEGRAM. MINISTER RESIDENT'S

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. D. 1145 13.9.43.

To: H.M.Consul, Tunis.

Resmin 44 (11.9.43)

Following is repetition of telegram sent by me to Tripbase.

Your [illegible]/1/953 is not clear to us.

2. French authorities here were informed August 20th that Tripolitanis Frontier is closed and that no further repatriation from Tunisia to Tripolitania may take place until further notice. All arrangements are therefore in suspense for the time being.

3. Your points one and two will be put to the French when we are notified that frontier has been reopened.

4. Arrangement for repatriation to Cyrenaica is that list of names must be submitted by the French to us (for forwarding to Mideast) for approval before any movement takes place. No list has yet been received.

5. Your [illegible]/1/869 of the 30th August not received.

GB/IS

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat
aux Affaires Etrangères

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

Rad 9/9

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ALGER, LE 6 Septembre 1943

N° 6699 /A.E.
A RAPPELER

NOTE

En se référant à sa note N° 5867 du I9 août dernier, le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de faire savoir à Monsieur MACMILLAN que des instructions ont été données tant par le Gouverneur Général de l'Algérie que par le Résident Général de France à Tunis en vue de réunir aussi rapidement que possible les dossiers des ressortissants et protégés français réfugiés en Algérie et en Tunisie et désireux de regagner leur foyer en Libye.

Le Général MAST communiquera à bref délai au commandement britannique les noms des personnes originaires de Tripolitaine, de telle sorte que tous éclaircissements concernant les intéressés seront entre les mains des autorités compétentes, lorsque celles-ci croiront pouvoir ouvrir de nouveau la frontière tuniso-libyenne aux réfugiés qui ne sont pas des ouvriers qualifiés pour les industries de guerre.

Sa 41 | En ce qui concerne les personnes domiciliées précédemment en Cyrénaïque, le Commissariat ne manquera pas de communiquer leurs dossiers à Monsieur MACMILLAN aux fins d'examen.

Le Général CATROUX et le Général MAST ont chargé de s'occuper desdits réfugiés, en ce qui concerne l'Algérie et la Tunisie, d'une part M. BERQUE, directeur des Affaires musulmanes au Gouvernement Général de l'Algérie et d'autre part, M. Marcel CORBES, chef du Bureau au service central du Secrétariat Général à Tunis et M. HERMET,

/...

Au Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN M.P. Sa 39.
Ministre Résident du Gouvernement
Britannique
5, rue du Professeur Curtillet
ALGER

son adjoint. Ces fonctionnaires ont reçu, en particulier, pour instructions de visiter les camps d'hébergement et d'améliorer, le cas échéant, leurs conditions d'installation. Ils auront également qualité pour se concerter pour toutes ces questions avec les autorités britanniques compétentes, ainsi qu'avec les représentants de l'"Office of Rehabilitation and Relief" et de l'"American Joint distribution committee", pour ce qui est de l'assistance et des secours aux réfugiés.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères renouvelle à Monsieur MACMILLAN l'expression du vif désir du Comité de la Libération de pouvoir rapatrier à bref délai en Libye tous les Français qui y étaient précédemment établis et il émet le voeu que les autorités britanniques jugeront possible de rouvrir prochainement la frontière tuniso-libyenne.

~~Foreign office~~

and copy to H. M. Consul - General Tunis is, I think, all the action necessary.

J.M.A.
Sept. 10th.

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TELEGRAM

TRIPBASE

To be despatched through A.F.H.Q.

by Mr. Addis.

Repeat to H.M. Consul-General, TUNIS.

Copy taken to AFHQ for despatch.
JMA
8/9

Your BMA/T/938 is not clear to us.

2. French authorities here were informed August 20th that Tripolitanian frontier is closed and that no further repatriation from Tunisia to Tripolitania may take place until further notice. All arrangements are therefore in suspense for the time being.

3. Your points one and two will be put to the French when I am notified that frontier has been reopened.

4. Arrangement for repatriation to Cyrenaica is that list of names must be submitted by the French to me (for forwarding to Mideast) for approval before any movement takes place. No list has yet been received.

5. Your BMA/T/889 of the 30th August not received.

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From [redacted] 0218006

Action [redacted]

Info [redacted]

[redacted]/93

Further to my signal [redacted]/T/309 of the 30th AUG (.) [redacted] repatriates:— I must emphasize essential (.) ONE (.) advance party consisting one offr at least should precede repatriates in order to make arrangements feeding camps etc (.) TWO (.) that transport with which they come must be available to take them to destinations within the territory outside TRIPOLI city (.) THREE (.) distinction must be made between TRIPOLITANIA AND CYRENAICA - BENGHAZI is 650 miles from TRIPOLI and under a different administration (.) repatriates to CYRENAICA should either go by sea or should continue in UNIFORM (.) experience of repatriation to CYRENAICA from here has shown that elaborate catering arrangements are necessary on this route to avoid hardship and worse (.) in addition CYRENAICA demands complete disinfestation before entry from this territory (.) the procedure takes at least 14 days (.) FOUR (.) it must be clearly understood (A) that the food situation here is exceedingly tight (.) the whole urban population is starving and the rural shortly will be (.) furthermore there is no prospect of the situation improving in the near future (B) BENGHAZI is badly damaged and the housing situation in TRIPOLI city gives reason for anxiety

Draft reply. JRG Adams Sept. 7th.

KR 10/9

No 20

Secret
Personal

INTENDANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT
MIDDLE EAST

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE
10, SHARIA TOLUMBAT,
CAIRO.

September 1st 1943

Dear Lakins,

Bennett has passed me your letter L.L./47/7 regarding the return of French citizens and others to Tripolitania and Cyrenaica.

We have no wish to encourage the Joint Distribution Committee to assist particularly in the matter of the return of these persons to their homes, as it is mainly, if not wholly, a Jewish body whose interest is almost certainly part of the Jewish Agency's attempt to "Zionize" the North African Jews.

I am informing Civil Affairs, General Headquarters of your letter and my reply.

Yours sincerely,
Harold Macmillan

R.L. Lakins Esq.,
Office of the Resident Minister,
ALGIERS.

Then we must do our best to stall.
H. Macmillan
Sept. 5th.

Cypher

[illegible] COPY

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OUTGOING TELEGRAM

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. 1010 2.9.43.

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Resmin 237 (1.9.43)

My telegram No. 225. — N° 22

Swiss Consul at Tunis has informed H.M. Consul General that only documents he has issued are identity documents which do not purport to give right to enter Tripolitania or to leave Tunisia. Documents seen by Consul-General confirm this explanation.

RR 2/9

Consulate General asked to repeat to F.O.

Repeated to F.O. as Resmin 1650 (3.9.43). 2/9

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BJ/OF

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BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,
TUNIS.

30th., August I943

Dear Rooker,

Your letter nº R.M.47/7 of 24th., August to the Consul-General.

The Swiss Consul assures us that the laissez-passer issued by his Consulate are merely identity documents and do not purport to give the right to enter Tripolitania or leave Tunisia. This story is borne out by the form of such laissez-passer as I have seen.

Many thanks for the information about the general question of return to Libya, which we have embodied in a note to the Resident General who is interesting himself in this question.

Kingsley Rooker Esq.,
Algiers.

R.K./47/7.

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Record of Conversation.

Reference Cairo telegram No.226.

In the absence of M. Balafj who normally deals with this question in the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs, I spoke this morning to M. Meyrier, the newly appointed Director of Political Affairs for Africa, Asia and the Pacific. He was not fully acquainted with the problem but said that he would telephone at once to Balafj, who was with M. Massigli in Tunis, and ask that instructions be given to delay the departure of the 772 repatriates.

2. He added, however, that he believed that the conditions under which these repatriates were now living were probably just as bad as those in which they would be living in their own homes in Tripolitania. He also said that he considered any delay in repatriating these Frenchmen curious, in view of the fact that Tripolitania had now been "liberated" by British forces. He felt that it would be bad propaganda for us to delay admitting these Frenchmen much longer. I told M. Meyrier that the reasons for closing the frontier were probably of an operational character and that it was clearly important to ensure that the Civil Affairs authorities in Tripolitania could feed the repatriates on arrival. M. Meyrier expressed agreement on these points, but I did not feel confident that his suspicions had been altogether allayed.

3. I asked M. Meyrier to let us have a note on the subject as soon as he had taken the matter up with Balafj and the authorities in Tunis.

Duncan

KP 30/8

30th August, 1943.

Cypher IMMEDIATE

INCOMING TELEGRAM

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY 25

From: Minister of State, Cairo. D. 1429 29.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 1510 29.8.43.

Repeated (29.8.43)

French Military Security authorities Tunis have informed Security authorities Tripolitania that they are repatriating 772 French and Tunisian subjects (180 families) deported by the Italians in July 1942. Frontier is still closed as notified to you in my telegram No. 212 and I should be grateful if arrival of these repatriates could be delayed until civil affairs, Tripolitania, can make sure that they can feed them.

Le Secrétaire. Urgent.

See papers 13 – speak to F.A. and ask him to delay reference to our Note of Aug. 20th

KCR 29/8

See minute attached.

D.

Office of the British Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, Rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

R.M./47/7. 26th August, 1943.

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You will have seen the correspondence ending with our telegram No.226 concerning the return of French citizens and protected persons resident in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica who took refuge in North Africa.

2. I think you should know that the representative of the Office of Rehabilitation and Relief (the Lehman organisation) and, more particularly, the representative of the Joint Distribution Committee who works here hand in glove with the Lehman organisation, keep on offering (a) to accompany the returning refugees and (b) to assist in their re-settlement and re-adaptation. The Joint Distribution Committee say that they have ample funds for this purpose.

3. The Joint Distribution Committee have been very active here in organising the refugees, who are mostly Jews, and instilling a corporate feeling into them.

4. As I have no idea to what extent you wish to encourage the Joint Distribution Committee to become active in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica, I have contended myself with saying that I feel sure that all the necessary arrangements will be made by the British authorities concerned, provided they are notified of the date of arrival of the different parties.

5. If you would like me to say something different, perhaps you would let me know.

Ref. 3(f)

John Bennett Esq.,
Minister of State's Office.

Roger Makins.

Ref. No 28

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I attended a meeting at the Foreign Office today attended by Mr. Eden, Captain Harbury, Mr. Gorton of C.P.I.D.D., Mr. Meredith of the Joint Distribution Committee, and M. Dubly of the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs.

2. It was agreed that the question of repatriation of French citizens and protected persons from Algeria and Tunisia to Tripolitania and Cyrenaica was a matter for arrangement between the official authorities on both sides. Lists would be drawn up by the French authorities and presented to the British authorities in Tripoli and to the British authorities in Cairo as soon as possible. As regards to Cyrenaica was possible [illegible] to Tripoli was being, it was suggested that priority should be given to the Cyrenaican lists.

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3. As regards relief, it was agreed that UNRRO and the Joint Distribution Committee should co-operate with the local French authorities. M. Dubly promised to furnish the names of the officials charged with these questions in which the representatives of the associations should approach in Algiers and Tunis.

4. The representatives of UNRRO, and particularly of the Joint Distribution Committee, offered (a) to accompany the returning Jewish refugees to Cyrenaica and Tripolitania and (b) to help to welfare them and adapt them to their old homes after they had arrived. It was made clear that the responsibility of UNRRO stopped at the Tripoli frontier.

5. Mr. Gorton said that some skilled workers useful to the war effort had already been evacuated to Tripoli by arrangement with the British authorities.

25th August, 1943.

Cypher

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

OUTGOING TELEGRAM

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. 1010 24.8.43

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Resmin 225 (23.8.43)

Repeated to Foreign Office No. 1541.

Your telegram No. 216.

I am asking H.M. Consul-General at Tunis to request his Swiss colleague to desist.

Code. OUTGOING TELEGRAM.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. D.0930 24.8.43.

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Resmin 226 (23.8.43)

Repeated to Foreign Office. No. 1542.

Your telegram No. 219 paragraph one. No 17

Yes.

Office of the Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

R.M/47/7. 24th August, 1943.

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According to a report received by the Civil Affairs Branch of G.H.Q., Middle East, the Swiss Consulate at Tunis have taken it upon themselves to issue a number of laissez passers to Tripolitanian Arabs and others, permitting them to enter Tripolitania. This has caused considerable embarrassment to the British military administration in Tripolitania.

We should be grateful if you would inform your Swiss colleague in suitable terms that the question of transit or repatriation from Tunisia to Tripolitania is a matter to be decided between the French Administration in Tunisia and the British military authorities in Tripolitania; he himself has no right to authorise entry into Tripolitania (or for that matter exit from Tunisia).

I find that through an oversight we have not kept you informed of the progress of the question of the repatriation of French Tripolitanian and Cyrenaican refugees in Tunisia. I therefore enclose for your information a note setting out what has happened so far.

Kingsley Rooker.

H.R.D. Gybbon-Monypenny, Esq. C.B.E.

N O T E

In a note dated June 24th, Monsieur Massigli informed the Resident Minister that there were in Tunisia about a thousand French subjects and protected persons who were expelled from their homes in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica by the Italians in July and August 1942 and that he would like to meet the wishes of those amongst them who requested to be repatriated.

2. This note was referred by the Resident Minister to the Minister of State at Cairo who, after consultation with G.H.Q. Middle East, replied (1) that there was no objection to repatriation to Tripolitania provided that the frontier control measures concerted between the Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer, Tripolitania, and the French authorities were respected; it would be most convenient if repatriation were arranged locally between the appropriate authorities in Tunisia and Tripolitania; (2) that repatriation to ~~Tripolitania~~ Cyrenaica overland was impossible owing to lack of transport but would be feasible by sea, provided that the names of the individuals were supplied in advance to the military authorities in the Middle East; permission would be granted or refused after each case had been examined individually. The French Committee of National Liberation were informed accordingly.

On August 16th the Minister of State, Cairo, reported that it had been decided as a temporary measure to close the Tripolitanian frontier to all immigrants with the exception of skilled workers essential to the war effort. The reason for this measure was the shortage of food and accommodation and the lack of transport in Tripolitania. The arrangements for repatriation to Cyrenaica by sea could, however, continue. The French Committee of National Liberation were informed accordingly.

The Minister of State also informed the Resident Minister that in view of the large number of applicants for repatriation from Tunisia, the Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer in Tripolitania proposed at a later date to send an offic[illegible] Tunisia to deal with applications to enter Tripolitani[illegible]

Office of the Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

R.M./47/7. 23rd August, 1943.

NOTE

Mr. Macmillan acknowledges with thanks the receipt of Monsieur Massigli's note No. 5801/A./. of the 19th August, regarding the repatriation of French refugees in Tunisia to their homes in Libya.

2. Monsieur Massigli will since have received Mr. Macmillan's note of the 20th August informing him that repatriation to Tripolitania must be postponed for the time being.

3. The arrangements for repatriation to Cyrenaica may however proceed on the lines agreed in Mr. Macmillan's note of the 27th July and Monsieur Massigli's of the 19th August.

Commissariat for Foreign Affairs.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

Cypher. INCOMING TELEGRAM.

From: Foreign Office. London. D. 1445 21.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R.0900 22.8.43.

Resmin 1669 (21.8.43)

Addressed Minister of State, Cairo telegram No.2,634 August 21st repeated Resident Minister, Algiers.

Your telegram No. 212.

I trust that subject to any observations the the Resident Minister Algiers may have to offer you will bear in mind the desirability on general grounds of French Jews referred to in my telegram no. 224 August 16th being allowed to return to their homes as soon as conditions make it possible on lines indicated in CABMEF note to the Embassy Cairo 11,286/243/CA of July 16th.

We have been handling this question without racial discrimination.

No action necessary.

Jim Adams
Aug. 23rd..

Cypher. INCOMING TELEGRAM.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

From: Cairo. Minister of State. D. 1643 21.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 2125 21.8.43.

Resmin 219 (20.8.43)

Addressed to Resident Minister, Algiers.
telegram 219 August 20th repeated to Foreign Office.

Your telegram 1,148 to Foreign Office.

I presume that the French authorities have since been informed as requested in my telegram 212.

Although Tripolitania is temporarily closed as described therein, I understand that refugees should be able to return by sea to Cyrenaica subject to conditions in para. 3 of my telegram 1,722 to the Foreign Office.

An abominable telegram.

Paragraph one is a piece of impertinence. Draft reply.

As regards paragraph two, we want to know the facts not what M. Casey understands the facts might be.

However we can tell the French that arrangements for repatriation to Cyrenaica can continue. Draft.

J.V.A. 23rd Aug.

question of drafting KCR 23/8

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

Commissariat
aux Affaires Etrangères

N° 580 /A.E.

ALGER, LE 19 Août 1943

GR/13

47/7.16

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A la date du 27 Juillet dernier Monsieur MACMILLAN a bien voulu faire part au Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères des dispositions prises par les autorités britanniques en vue du rapatriement en Libye des ressortissants et protégés français domiciliés antérieurement dans ce pays et réfugiés actuellement en Algérie et en Tunisie.

Dès que les autorités françaises compétentes auront indiqué les noms des intéressés, le Commissariat se empressera de les communiquer à Monsieur MACMILLAN. Les personnes originaires de Tripolitaine seront rapatriées dès que leur transport aura été organisé par le Général LEAT et le commandement britannique. En ce qui concerne les réfugiés de Cyrénaïque, chaque cas d'espèce fera l'objet d'un examen particulier et le retour des personnes autorisées à regagner leurs foyers s'effectuera par mer.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de remercier Monsieur MACMILLAN de son intervention auprès des autorités britanniques en vue d'organiser lesdits rapatriements et lui serait reconnaissant d'appeler leur attention sur le désir du Comité de la Libération d'assurer le prompt retour des réfugiés en Libye./.

A son Excellence Monsieur MACMILLAN
Ministre Plénipotentiaire

A L G E R

Leo
H Shiels

2nd August Cannon

KGR 24/8

This evidently crossed our Note of 20 Aug. (f. 13).
It looks as though the Swiss Consulate's doubtful
action (f.15) may have brought about the departure of the
"first batch" which de Chambrun informed us
had already left (f.12). No further action at present.
Mr Rucker But what will be the fate of any which may already have left
by sea? D. 22/8

Cypher

INCOMING TELEGRAM. MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

From: Minister of State, Cairo. D. 2150 18.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 0900 19.8.43.

Resmin 216 (18.8.43)

Addressed to Resident Minister, Algiers, telegram No. 216 of August 18th, repeated to Foreign Office.

My telegram No. 212.

I learn from the same source that Swiss Consulate at Tunis has issued a number of laisser-passer to Tri..... Arabs and others for the purpose of entering Tri..... This practice has caused considerable embarrassment to British military administration.

2. I understand that the Swiss Consulate at Tunis is superintended from London, but I should be grateful if you would have them informed of the situation. If they do not desist, Foreign Office will no doubt take up the matter.

See minute at 16 and draft letter to

Mr. Moneypenny.

I think we have never kept Mr. M informed on this whole question. He might to be an [illegible] in case Generals Mast and Clarke refer to him.

J M Addis
Aug 23rd.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

Cypher. OUTGOING TELEGRAM.

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. D. 20.00 20.5.43.

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

Resmin 220 (20.5.43)

Repeated to Foreign Office No. 1522 Resmin.

Your telegram No. 212.

French authorities have been informed of the closure of frontier.

2. Does this decision apply to Cyrenaica as well as Tripolitania? There are about 200 individuals for return to Cyrenaica and it would be useful to proceed with arrangements for their journey as soon as possible, as their maintenance adds to the relief problem in North Africa.

3. Please keep me fully informed of developments and possibilities of reopening of frontier. Both French authorities, U.S. Relief authorities and Joint Distribution Committee are keenly interested in the disposal of these refugees.

Office of the Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

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R.M./15/2. 20th August, 1943.

No 8

No 1 — In his note R.M./15/2 of the 27th July, replying to Monsieur Massigli's note No. 3685/A.E. of the 24th June, Mr. Macmillan suggested that the repatriation from Tunisia of French subjects and protected persons previously domiciled in Tripolitania should, if possible, be arranged between the French authorities in Tunisia and the British military authorities in Tripolitania.

2. Mr. Macmillan has just been informed by the British authorities in the Middle East that owing to the shortage of food and accommodation in Tripolitania and the lack of transport for immigrants, it has been decided as a temporary measure to close the frontier of Tripolitania to all immigrants except skilled workers essential to the war effort.

3. Mr. Macmillan regrets that the repatriation to Tripolitania of the French refugees in Tunisia will therefore have to be postponed for the time being. He will not fail to inform Monsieur Massigli as soon as the Tripolitanian frontier is reopened.

KR 27/8

The Commissariat of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Peiser, of the American Relief Organisation, was brought by Captain Warburg to see me three or four days ago. Mr. Peiser wanted an interview with the Minister about the arrangements concerning the Jews whom it was proposed to repatriate from Algeria and Tunisia into Tripoli and Cyrenaica.

2. Mr. Peiser already had the gist of the Minister's note to Monsieur Massigli of July 27th, and when I referred him to it he agreed that his better course was to go and see the French authorities.

3. Mr. Peiser returned today, having in the meantime seen M. Balay of the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs (African Section). M. Balay had told him that arrangements for repatriation had been concerted between the British in Tripoli and Libya and the French and that French officials were to supervise the re-establishment of the repatriated Jews at their destinations.

4. When Mr. Peiser had asked what help would be wanted from his organisation in the way of supervisory officers, money, food, clothing, etc., M. Balay had avoided the question.

5. Mr. Peiser renewed his request for an interview with the Minister and said he hoped it could be ascertained (i) exactly what plans had been made and concerted; (ii) where Mr. Peiser and his colleagues came in.

6. I think (ii) is what Mr. Peiser is really thinking about.

7. I undertook to report our conversation.

J.E.R. Wyndham

19/20/8/43.

I shall be N. Rebbe Capt Warburg
to-day: we hope to arrange a
meeting among all parties with a
view to a rapprochement. Capt Warburg
will first discuss with the French Delegation Committee

RW 20/8

KR 20/8

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OUTGOING TELEGRAM MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. 2040 16.8.43.

To: Foreign Office, London.

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Resmin 1480 (16.8.43)

Repeated to Minister of State, Cairo, No. 217.

Your telegram No. 1583. No 10

Assumption in first sentence of your paragraph 2 is correct. I addressed note to Commissariat for Foreign Affairs on July 27th.

2. Commissariat have today informed me that Tunis Residency has been in touch with Tripolitanian authorities and that all arrangements have been made for the first batch to leave today or tomorrow.

3. Commissariat had sent instructions to Vienot before receiving our Note of July 27th.

KR 25/8

Cypher

INCOMING TELEGRAM MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

From: Minister of State, Cairo. D. 1325 16.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 0900 17.8.43.

Resmin 212 (15.8.43)

Addressed to Resident Minister, Algiers, telegram No. 212 August 15th, repeated to Foreign Office 1874, Malta 18 (Foreign Office please pass), Jedda 105.

My telegram No. 1722 to London, repeated to Algiers.

Civil Affairs Branch, G.H.Q., Middle East, inform me that it has been decided as a temporary measure to close the frontier of Tripolitania to all immigrants with the exception of skilled workers essential to the war effort. The reason is shortage of food and accommodation in Tripolitania and lack of transport for immigrants. I should be grateful if you would arrange for the French authorities in Algeria and Tunisia to be informed accordingly.

2. In view of the large number of applicants, deputy chief civil affairs officer proposes at a later date to send an officer to Tunisia to deal with applications to enter Tripolitania.

3. I am repeating this telegram to H.M. representative Jedda because he had been consulting me about local Tripolitanians returning to Tripolitania.

Draft to Commissariat for Foreign Affairs.
As both the Americans and French are interested in this question, we might, as a precaution, ask to be informed as soon as the frontier is reopened
JIW Adams
Aug. 19th.
KR 20/8

Cypher

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

INCOMING TELEGRAM

From: Foreign Office, London. D. 1545 12.8.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 0900 13.8.43.

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Resmin 1583 (11.8.43)

Addressed to Resident Minister, Algiers, telegram No. 1583 of August 11th, repeated to Minister of State, Cairo.

No 2 N[illegible]6 (Vol II). Sec "C"

Your telegram No. 177 to deputy Minister of State, Cairo.

H.M. Embassy at Cairo have sent us a copy of a note received by them from G.H.Q. Middle East stating in part that there was no objection to the return of these French citizens to their homes provided certain conditions were fulfilled and suggesting that their repatriation should be a matter for local arrangement between the authorities in Tunisia and Tripolitania.

2. I had assumed the substance of this note had been passed to you and that you had made it the basis for a reply to the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs. M. Vienot has, however, now approached us on the subject stating that the French Committee understood the matter was one which could only be settled in London.

3. What is the position?

Mr Peake - what is position. KR 1678

KR 2570 Tel. despatched - D 1/6

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

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S A V I N G R.

From: Resident Minister, Algiers.

To: H.M. Ambassador, Cairo.

SAVING: Resmin No.1.

Date: 30th July, 1943.

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Your despatch No. 166/30/43 of July 23th.

Commissariat for Foreign Affairs informed accordingly.

2. They have meanwhile asked me to enquire what are the intentions of the competent authorities in regard to restoration of property left by these refugees in Lybia at the time of their expulsion.

KQ 31/7

Office of the Resident Minister
at Allied Force Headquarters,
5, rue Professeur Curtillet,
Algiers.

R.M./15/2. 27th July, 1943.

N O T E

In their note No. 3685/A.E. of the 24th June the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs asked Mr. Macmillan to investigate the possibility of repatriating to their homes in Lybia French subjects and protected persons who had been removed by the Italians to Tunisia.

2. After consulting the competent British authorities, Mr. Macmillan is glad to be able to inform the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs that there is no objection to the return of French subjects and protected persons previously domiciled in Tripolitania, provided that the frontier control measures concerted by the British military authorities with the French authorities are respected. Mr. Macmillan suggests that the repatriation of these persons should if possible be arranged between the French authorities in Tunisia and the British military authorities in Tripolitania.

3. As regards French subjects and protected persons normally domiciled in Cyrenaica the British military authorities in Cyrenaica will be asked to recommend on each case. Mr. Macmillan would therefore be glad to be provided with the names of French subjects for repatriation to Cyrenaica, together with particulars of their addresses and occupations. It will not be possible to arrange for their repatriation overland through Tripolitania owing to lack of civil transport and they must therefore return by sea as opportunity offers.

4. In this connexion Mr. Macmillan has received a private request from five families at present living in Khenchela who wish to return to their homes in Tripoli. There would be no objection to the return of these persons to Tripoli provided that the French authorities agree and that transport could be made available. Their names

The Commissariat for Foreign Affairs.

names are:

Errebib Sion	9 people
Missa Adad Vve Hadjadj	5 people
Hamousse Naouri	3 people
Kahloune Vve Naouri	5 people
Kheiria Baranes	3 people

Shm & M. Lucet

D 28/7

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COMITÉ FRANÇAIS
DE LA
LIBÉRATION NATIONALE

COMMISSARIAT
AUX AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES
N° 4602./AE

Alger, le 24 Juillet 1943

N° 3685 — N° 95. No 8
Lettre N° 144.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de se référer à la note nº 3.665 qu'il a adressée le 24 Juin 1943 à M. MACMILLAN au sujet des réfugiés de Lybie qui se trouvent actuellement en Afrique du Nord et souhaitent vivement rejoindre leurs foyers.

Le Gouverneur Général de l'Algérie et le Résident Général de France continuent à être saisis de nombreuses demandes de rapatriement, et de remise en possession des biens que ces réfugiés ont dû abandonner lors de leur expulsion de Lybie. En Algérie en particulier, se trouvent 300 réfugiés, d'origine israélite, dont la situation a été signalée par M. le Grand Rabbin d'Alger dans une lettre qu'il a adressée au Gouverneur Général de l'Algérie. M. MISRAHI fait valoir que ces familles établies depuis des générations en Lybie se trouvent actuellement complètement déracinées dans les localités algériennes entre lesquelles elles ont été réparties.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait très reconnaissant à M. MACMILLAN de bien vouloir intervenir à nouveau auprès des autorités britanniques compétentes et de lui faire savoir si, à sa connaissance, celles-ci seraient disposées à accorder dans un délai assez bref l'autorisation de rapatriement. Il souhaiterait également connaître les mesures que comptent prendre ces autorités pour faciliter la restitution aux réfugiés de leurs biens.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères saisit cette occasion d'exprimer à M. MACMILLAN l'assurance de sa haute considération ./.

p.o. Hubert Guérin

Le Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN M.P.
Ministre Résident du Gouvernement
Britannique

ALGER

Repatriation is dealt with in our note at No. 144, which crossed this. Draft to Cairo about restoration of property.
J.M.A.
July 29th.

INCOMING TELEGRAM.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

Cypher.

From: Cairo Minister of State. D. 0006 24.7.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 1310 24.7.43.

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U/N Nesmin (23.7.43)

Addressed to Foreign Office telegram No. 1782 repeated to Resident Minister, Algiers.

Your telegram No. 2254.

It appears possible that these refugees may be included among the 1,000 mentioned in Algiers telegram No. 177 to (illegible ? M.E. Embassy) Cairo. Whether this is so or not, I am informed by C.A.B. General Headquarters Middle East Forces that the following factors govern return to Libya of all such refugees.

2. Persons normally resident in Tripolitania can be repatriated overland provided they observe frontier control ruling concerted between B.C.C.A.O. Tripolitania and French authorities in Tunis. Details could best be arranged between Tripoli and Tunis.

3. Persons normally resident in Cyrenaica would have to travel by sea as there is no adequat transport between Tripolitania and Cyrenaica. Total number and individual details of French Jews for Cyrenaica should be reported to C.A.B. who will consult B.C.C.A.O. Cyrenaica regarding their readmission to that territory.

See draft on No. 137. W. Adams

See No 9 JMA

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No. –
(166/30/43)

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His Majesty's Ambassador presents his compliments to

His Majesty's Minister, Algiers,

and has the honour to transmit herewith a copy of the under-mentioned paper.

BRITISH EMBASSY,
CAIRO.

20th July 1943.

Reference to previous correspondence :

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Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
From: Civil Affairs Branch G.H.Q. M.E.F.	Return of French subjects and others domiciled in Tripolitania.

Draft to Commissariat for Foreign Affairs. JMIA 26th July JMIA

No 6

COPY. /VR

No. 11286/243/CA,
CIVIL AFFAIRS BRANCH,
GHQ. MEF.
16th July, 1943.

The First Secretary,
The British Embassy,
Cairo.

With reference to a telegram No. 177 of 3rd July, of which a copy was sent to this Headquarters under cover of your note No. 166/29/43 of 7th July, I am directed to inform you that there is no objection to the return of French subjects and protected persons previously domiciled in Tripolitania provided that the frontier control measures concerted by the D.C.C.A.O. Tripolitania with the French Authorities are respected. It is suggested that the repatriation of these persons should be a matter for local arrangement between the authorities of Tunisia and Tripolitania.

2. It is presumed that the majority of the French subjects and protected persons concerned are normally domiciled in Tripolitania. Those who come from Cyrenaica cannot be repatriated overland through Tripolitania owing to lack of civil transport and they must therefore return by sea when this is possible. It is requested that the names of French subjects for repatriation to Cyrenaica may be reported to this Headquarters with particulars of address and occupation. The D.C.C.A.O. Cyrenaica will be asked to recommend in each case for or against the return of the person concerned.

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For Colonel
Chief Secretary.

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

INCOMING TELEGRAM

From: Foreign Office, London. D. 2245 16.7.43.

To: Resident Minister, Algiers. R. 0900 17.7.43.

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Resmin 1288 (16.7.43)

Addressed to Minister of State, Cairo, telegram 2254 July 16th, repeated to Resident Minister, Algiers.

High Commissioner for Refugees informs me that according to American Soviet Jewish distribution Board representative Algiers about 700 report 700 Jewish refugees of French nationality of whom 400 are lodged just outside Tunis and 300 in Algeria desire to return to their homes in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica from which they were expelled during enemy occupation.

2. I should be glad if you would report on the possibility of these people being allowed to return to their homes and resume their former occupations.

See No 6

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(Staff Minute Sheet)

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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File No._____

Date
Originated: 11 July 1943

SUBJECT Request for authority to return to homes in Tripoli - Civilians.

Number each memo or minute consecutively. Fill in each column, initial action, draw 1 line across the sheet. Use entire width of sheet for long memoranda.

No.	Section of Origin	Pass To	Date	Has attached paper been coordinated with all concerned?
	11 JUL FCUSA			
1.	AG Ex	Liaison Sec	11 July	Necessary action. E.C.B. A.A.G.
2.	TO: Br. Resident Minister, Civil Affairs Bldg.	From: Liaison Sec. AFHQ	21/7	Necessary action

See 137. Khemchela appears to be in Algeria but there must nonetheless be no objection to their return to Tripoli. See draft on No. 137.

JVM Adams
July 26th.
JVMA

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AFHQ Form No. 3 (Revised)

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Sir,

I have the honor to expose to you the following facts:

We are 5 families, which in all we make 25 people, and we were obliged to leave Tripoli by order of the Italian authorities. It was because we are French.

By doing this we were obliged to leave all of our belongings, and homes and we came to Algieria where we now are, as refugees.

The city of Tripoli now being occupied by the Allied authorities, we come to you to ask you to authorize us to return to the city. We wrote to the General Commanding the Division in Constantine, and this General asked us to go to you. Here is a copy of his letter.

We want you to know, Sir that we are suffering from these circumstances and that we want to get back as soon as possible.

We want to thank you in advance for what you are going to do for us.

Regina Nauori

Families:

ERREBIB Sion	9 people
MISSA ADAD Vve. Hadjadj	5 people
NAOURI Hamousse	3 people
KAHLOUNE Vve. NAOURI	5 people
BARAINES Kheiria	3 people

From: General P.J. ANDRE, Commanding the Ground Forces

To : Monsieur ERRABIB Syon, chez Monsieur Stora Alexandre.

In answer to your letter written 14 June, I have the honor to inform you that I cannot give you satisfaction to your request.

I advise you to see the Allied authorities, for they are the only ones who can authorize you to regain Tripoli.

Please belive, Sir, in my consideration.

signed: Laloux

Khenchela , le 5 Juillet 1943 .

Monsieur le GENERAL EISENHOWER
Commandant en Chef les Troupes Alliées en
Afrique du Nord
ALGER

Monsieur le GENERAL ,

Nous avons l'honneur de vous exposer les faits suivants :

Au nombre de cinq familles composées de 25 personnes , nous nous sommes trouvés dans l'obligation de quitter la Ville de TRIPOLI sur l'ordre des Autorités Italiennes . La raison de cette évacuation est que nous sommes tous des sujets Français .

Nous avons de ce fait abandonnés nos biens meubles et immeubles et nous avons rejoints l'Algérie où nous sommes actuellemnt en qualité de refugiés .

La Ville de TRIPOLI étant occupée aujourd'hui par les Autorités Alliées, nous venons vous prier respectueusement de bien vouloir nous autoriser à rejoindre cette ville . Nous avons écrit à Monsieur le GENERAL Commandant la Division de Constantine , ce GENERAL nous prie de bous adresser à vous Ci-joint une copie .

Nous ajoutons Monsieur le GENERAL, que nous souffrons de cette situation et ils nous tardent de rejoindre nos résidences respectives .

Avec nos remerciements anticipés, veuillez agréer Monsieur le GENERAL, l'assurance de notre haute considération

Regina Naouri

Famille BERBIB Sion 3 personnes

Famille Missa ADAD Vve Hadjadj 5 personnes

Famille Hamousse MAOUI 3 personnes

Famille KAHLOUN Vve NAOURI 5 personnes

Famille Kheiria BARATO 3 personnes

Prière adresser la correspondance à Madame Regina NAOURI
Chez Monsieur Alexandre STORA à KHENCHELA

19ème Région

Division Territoriale
de Constantine

Etat-Major - S.M.

N° 3.742 / SM

Copie

Constantine le 26 Juin 1943 .

Le Général P.J.ANDRE CDT la Division Territoriale .

A Monsieur ELKABIR Syon Chez Monsieur SITORA Alexandre
Rue Jérome Bertagna
Khenchela

En réponse à votre lettre du 14 Juin dernier, j'ai l'honneur de vous informer que je ne puis vous faire obtenir satisfaction à votre demande .

Je vous conseille de vous adresser aux Autorités Alliées qui seules peuvent vous autoriser à rejoindre TRIPOLI .

Croyez Monsieur à ma considération .

P.O.le Lt Colonel L A L O U X
Chef d'Etat Major

signé : LALOUX

Certifié copie conforme
à l'original.
Khenchela le 6 Juillet 1943
Le Commissaire de Police

Cypher

MINISTER RESIDENT'S COPY

OUTGOING TELEGRAM

From: Resident Minister, Algiers. 1005 3.7.43.

To: Minister of State, Cairo.

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Resmin 177 (3.7.43)

Repeated Saving Foreign Office No. 7, and H.M. Consul-General, Tunis, No. 2.

Commissariat for Foreign Affairs state that there are in Tunisia about 1,000 French subjects and protected persons who were expelled from their homes in Lybia by the Italians in July and August, 1942. Commissariat would like to meet the wishes of those who request to be returned to their homes. The Commissariat are ready to supply full particulars of the individuals and their domiciles.

2. I shall be grateful if you will let me know what to reply.

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COMITE FRANCAIS DE LA LIBERATION NATIONALE

~~COMMANDEMENT EN CHEF FRANÇAIS~~
~~CIVIL ET MILITAIRE~~

~~SECRETARIAT~~
~~DES RELATIONS EXTÉRIEURES~~
Commissariat
aux Affaires Etrangères

N° 3685/AE

TS/EC

Alger, le 24 Juin 1943

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de signaler à l'attention de M. MACMILLAN les faits suivants:

Aux mois de Juillet et Août 1942, le Gouvernement italien a procédé à l'expulsion de 2.500 sujets et protégés français domiciliés en Lybie, sous prétexte d'alléger les charges de ravitaillement de cette colonie. Ces réfugiés passèrent la frontière tuniso-lybienne dans des conditions précaires, sans bagages et sans argent; ils demandent aujourd'hui avec insistance à regagner leur domicile et leur famille restée en Lybie, les autorités italiennes surprises par l'offensive britannique n'ayant pas eu le temps de procéder à l'évacuation de tous nos ressortissants.

Il serait éminemment souhaitable, pour des raisons d'humanité, de mettre fin, aussitôt que possible, à la situation pénible de ces réfugiés, et de permettre à ceux qui en feraient la demande de regagner leur famille et leurs foyers. Le nombre des intéressés s'élèverait à un millier de personnes environ.

Le Commissaire aux Affaires Etrangères serait reconnaissant à M. MACMILLAN de bien vouloir intervenir auprès des autorités britanniques compétentes pour qu'elles autorisent ce mouvement. Toutes justifications d'identité et de domicile seraient évidemment fournies par les autorités françaises.

M. MASSIGLI saisit cette occasion d'exprimer à M. MACMILLAN l'assurance de sa haute considération./.

Draft telegram to Cairo.

No 2 JM Addis July 2nd. x acd

Le Très Honorable Harold MACMILLAN M.P.
M.P. Ministre résident du
Gouvernement Britannique
5 rue Professeur Curtillet
ALGER

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